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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, JANUARY 1955 1/-

(1935-39 = 100)

A gain of 1.3 points was recorded for the farm price index when it rose from 219.9 in December 1954 to 221.2 in January 1955. Lower prices for poultry and eggs were more than offset by higher prices for grains, live stock, dairy products and potatoes.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

Province	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Jan. 1955 2/	Dec. 1954 2/	Jan. 1954 3/	1954 5/	1953 4/	1952
Prince Edward Island	212.6	214.0	170.8	194.8	192.1	351.6
Nova Scotia	251.9	253.0	239.5	244.3	237.5	275.1
New Brunswick	213.8	218.0	189.4	211.7	213.3	344.5
Quebec	262.2	261.0	269.9	264.8	272.7	290.2
Ontario	247.0	247.0	258.2	252.8	263.5	286.2
Manitoba	204.6	201.2	226.1	218.4	243.8	266.8
Saskatchewan	175.5	174.8	207.0	197.0	226.2	245.9
Alberta	201.6	200.4	230.4	222.2	245.8	265.3
British Columbia	259.9	248.5	257.0	254.0	265.1	291.4
CANADA 1/	221.2	219.9	237.9	232.1	249.4	274.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price plus ten-cent interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ Based on initial price plus ten-cent interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat.....	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats.....	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley.....	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

Since the first of August 1954, initial prices to producers, basis Fort William--Port Arthur, have amounted to \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. 6-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board during the crop year 1954-55. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent to the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revision as more complete data become available.

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1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
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1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
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1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	249.4	192.1	237.5	213.3	272.7	263.5	243.8	226.2	245.8	265.1
1954										
January	237.9	170.8	239.5	189.4	269.9	258.2	226.1	207.0	230.4	257.0
February	238.7	174.8	239.5	194.1	273.0	259.0	226.7	207.0	230.6	255.6
March	237.7	174.8	236.9	197.1	271.9	256.0	227.6	206.3	232.1	250.9
April	236.1	177.3	235.5	205.0	266.8	252.3	225.6	207.1	232.3	248.0
May	238.1	180.1	236.9	206.3	266.5	254.9	227.5	207.4	236.3	251.0
June	239.6	184.1	242.4	207.0	269.3	256.0	230.0	209.3	236.6	252.8
July	238.8	184.6	243.5	210.2	269.3	258.4	229.5	206.6	230.9	253.6
August	231.4	230.6	253.7	240.5	260.8	252.2	214.4	194.4	218.4	264.5
September	227.5	227.9	244.7	227.0	258.0	248.5	210.6	191.0	214.7	258.0
October	220.0	197.3	251.0	217.2	253.7	244.9	202.0	179.4	203.4	255.1
November	219.3	221.4	255.5	228.8	258.0	245.8	199.8	174.1	199.7	253.2
December	219.9	214.0	253.0	218.0	261.0	247.0	201.2	174.8	200.4	248.5
AVERAGE	232.1	194.8	244.3	211.7	264.8	252.8	218.4	197.0	222.2	254.0
1955	221.2	212.6	251.9	218.8	262.2	247.0	204.6	175.5	201.6	259.9

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products continued to rise when it increased to 222.1 in February, 1.2 points above the revised January estimate of 220.9. Contributing to this gain were higher prices for potatoes, grains and live stock. Partially offsetting these increases were slightly lower prices for dairy products, poultry and eggs.

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(1935-39 = 100)

Province	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Feb 1955 <u>2/</u>	Jan. 1955 <u>2/</u>	Feb. 1954 <u>3/</u>	1954 <u>4/</u>	1953 <u>5/</u>	1952
Prince Edward Island	226.8	214.6	176.7	196.8	191.5	351.6
Nova Scotia	252.0	251.6	239.2	244.3	237.6	275.1
New Brunswick	221.7	218.8	194.0	211.7	213.2	344.5
Quebec	263.4	262.1	271.5	264.1	272.1	290.2
Ontario	245.8	246.3	259.0	252.7	263.7	286.2
Manitoba	207.2	204.5	227.1	218.6	243.7	266.8
Saskatchewan	177.6	175.5	207.1	197.1	226.3	245.9
Alberta	204.3	201.6	230.7	222.3	245.8	265.3
British Columbia	255.3	258.3	255.6	254.0	266.5	291.4
CANADA <u>1/</u>	222.1	220.9	238.6	232.0	249.5	274.4

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Since the first of August 1954, initial prices to producers, basis Fort William--Port Arthur, have amounted to \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. 6-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board during the crop year 1954-55. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
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1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
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1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	275.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	249.5	191.5	237.6	213.2	272.1	263.7	243.7	226.3	245.8	266.5
1954										
January	237.8	172.7	239.2	189.6	268.1	258.2	226.2	207.1	230.6	257.0
February	238.6	176.7	239.2	194.0	271.5	259.0	227.1	207.1	230.7	255.6
March	237.6	176.8	236.8	197.2	270.5	256.0	227.7	206.4	232.3	250.9
April	235.9	179.3	235.5	204.9	265.1	252.3	225.7	207.2	232.4	248.0
May	238.0	182.1	237.0	206.3	265.1	254.9	227.7	207.5	236.5	250.7
June	239.5	186.1	242.4	207.0	267.8	256.0	230.2	209.4	236.7	253.0
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August	231.5	232.6	253.6	240.5	260.9	252.1	214.5	194.5	218.5	264.2
September	227.5	229.9	244.6	226.9	258.0	248.2	210.7	191.1	214.9	258.0
October	220.0	199.2	251.0	217.2	253.7	244.5	202.1	179.5	203.5	255.1
November	219.4	223.4	255.5	228.8	258.1	245.8	200.0	174.2	199.8	253.2
December	219.9	215.9	253.0	218.0	261.0	247.0	201.2	174.8	200.4	248.5
AVERAGE	232.0	196.8	244.3	211.7	264.1	252.7	218.6	197.1	222.3	254.0
1955										
January	220.9	214.6	251.6	218.8	262.1	246.3	204.5	175.5	201.6	258.3
February	222.1	226.8	252.0	221.7	263.4	245.8	207.2	177.6	204.3	255.3

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, MARCH 1955 1/-
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for March is estimated at 220.7, down from the revised estimate of 222.3 for February. Lower prices for grains, live stock and dairy products more than offset higher prices for potatoes, and poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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Province	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	March 1955 2/	Feb. 1955 2/	March 1954 3/	1954 4/	1953 5/	1952
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Quebec	261.1	263.0	270.5	264.1	272.1	290.2
Ontario	245.1	246.2	256.0	252.7	263.7	286.2
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1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
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1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	249.5	191.5	237.6	213.2	272.1	263.7	243.7	226.3	245.8	266.5
1954										
January	237.8	172.7	239.2	189.6	268.1	258.2	226.2	207.1	230.6	257.0
February	238.6	176.7	239.2	194.0	271.5	259.0	227.1	207.1	230.7	255.6
March	237.6	176.8	236.8	197.2	270.5	256.0	227.7	206.4	232.3	250.9
April	235.9	179.3	235.5	204.9	265.1	252.3	225.7	207.2	232.4	248.0
May	238.0	182.1	237.0	206.3	265.1	254.9	227.7	207.5	236.5	250.7
June	239.5	186.1	242.4	207.0	267.8	256.0	230.2	209.4	236.7	253.0
July	238.8	186.6	243.5	210.1	269.4	258.2	229.6	206.7	231.1	254.1
August	231.5	232.6	253.6	240.5	260.9	252.1	214.5	194.5	218.5	264.7
September	227.5	229.9	244.6	226.9	258.0	248.2	210.7	191.1	214.9	258.5
October	220.0	199.2	251.0	217.2	253.7	244.5	202.1	179.5	203.5	255.5
November	219.4	223.4	255.5	228.8	258.1	245.8	200.0	174.2	199.8	253.7
December	219.9	215.9	253.0	218.0	261.0	247.0	201.2	174.8	200.4	249.0
AVERAGE	232.0	196.8	244.3	211.7	264.1	252.7	218.6	197.1	222.3	254.2
1955										
January	220.9	214.6	251.6	218.8	262.1	246.3	204.5	175.5	201.6	258.8
February	222.3	227.0	252.0	221.6	263.0	246.2	207.1	177.5	204.3	256.6
March	220.7	219.9	254.0	225.5	261.1	245.1	205.1	176.1	200.7	258.3

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, APRIL 1955 1/-
(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for April, estimated at 228.6, is 7 points above the revised figure of 221.6 for March. The index is also at its highest level since last September when it stood at 228.3. Much higher prices for potatoes and slightly higher prices for some grains, and poultry and eggs more than offset lower prices for live stock and dairy products.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

Province	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	April 1955 2/	March 1955 2/	April 1954	1954 3/	1953	1952
Prince Edward Island	365.6	224.5	179.3	196.8	191.5	351.6
Nova Scotia	281.8	254.1	235.5	244.3	237.6	275.1
New Brunswick	315.6	225.9	204.9	211.7	213.2	344.5
Quebec	266.2	261.8	265.1	264.1	272.1	290.2
Ontario	252.0	245.4	252.3	252.7	263.7	286.2
Manitoba	209.1	208.0	229.4	221.9	245.3	266.8
Saskatchewan	177.4	177.3	212.9	200.9	228.7	245.9
Alberta	204.9	202.0	237.3	225.6	247.8	265.3
British Columbia	254.4	257.7	248.2	254.3	266.6	291.4
CANADA 1/	228.6	221.6	238.4	233.8	250.5	274.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial price only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial price only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1954, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1954 are final prices. Prices for western grains used in the construction of the index since August 1, 1954 are initial prices only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1954 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat.....	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats.....	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley.....	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

Since August 1, 1954 prairie farm prices for wheat are initial prices only and amount to \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern, basis Fort William - Port Arthur. Prices for oats and barley are initial prices plus retroactive interim payments. In total the initial and interim payments amount to \$1.06 per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley and 72 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats at the Lakehead. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board during the crop year 1954-55. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments including the recently announced final payment of 6.4 cents per bushel for the 1953 wheat crop and the interim payments of 7 and 10 cents for the 1954 crops of oats and barley respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent to the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revision as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/
(1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.5	191.5	237.6	213.2	272.1	263.7	245.3	228.7	247.8	266.6
1954	240.2	172.7	239.2	189.6	268.1	258.2	229.9	212.7	235.5	257.1
January	241.1	176.7	239.2	194.0	271.5	259.0	230.8	212.7	235.6	255.8
February	240.1	176.8	236.8	197.2	270.5	256.0	231.4	212.0	237.1	251.1
March	238.4	179.3	235.5	204.9	265.1	252.3	229.4	212.9	237.3	248.2
April	240.4	182.1	237.0	206.3	265.1	254.9	231.3	213.1	241.4	250.9
May	242.0	196.1	242.4	207.0	267.8	256.0	233.9	215.1	241.6	253.2
June	241.3	186.6	243.5	210.1	269.4	258.2	233.3	212.3	236.0	254.3
July	232.2	232.6	253.6	240.5	260.9	252.1	217.4	195.7	219.7	264.7
August	228.3	229.9	244.6	226.9	258.0	248.2	213.7	192.3	216.1	258.5
September	220.7	199.2	251.0	217.2	253.7	244.5	205.0	180.7	204.7	255.6
October	220.2	223.4	255.5	228.8	258.1	245.8	202.9	175.4	201.0	253.7
November	220.7	215.9	253.0	218.0	261.0	247.0	204.1	176.0	201.6	249.0
December	233.8	196.8	244.3	211.7	264.1	252.7	221.9	200.9	225.6	254.3
AVERAGE	221.7	214.6	251.6	218.8	262.1	246.3	207.4	176.7	202.9	258.9
1955	222.9	227.0	252.0	221.6	263.0	246.2	210.0	178.2	205.5	256.6
January	221.6	224.5	254.1	225.9	261.8	245.4	208.0	177.3	202.0	257.7
February	228.6	365.6	281.8	315.6	266.2	252.0	209.1	177.4	204.9	254.4
March										
April										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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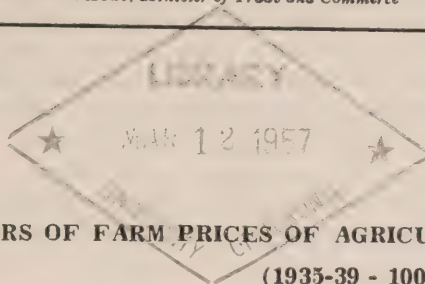
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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, MAY 1955 1/-

(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for May is estimated at 229.5, slightly above the revised estimate of 228.8 for April. Higher prices for live stock and some grains more than offset lower prices for dairy products and potatoes.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39 = 100)

Province	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	May 1955 <u>2/</u>	April 1955 <u>2/</u>	May 1954	1954 <u>3/</u>	1953	1952
Prince Edward Island	302.2	363.9	182.1	196.8	191.5	351.6
Nova Scotia	286.6	281.7	237.0	244.3	237.6	275.1
New Brunswick	290.8	315.4	206.3	211.7	213.2	344.5
Quebec	268.7	265.8	265.1	264.1	272.1	290.2
Ontario	253.4	253.0	254.9	252.7	263.7	286.2
Manitoba	211.3	209.0	231.3	221.9	245.3	266.8
Saskatchewan	180.5	177.4	213.1	200.9	228.7	245.9
Alberta	205.9	204.8	241.4	225.6	247.8	265.3
British Columbia	260.4	254.8	250.9	254.3	266.6	291.4
CANADA <u>1/</u>	229.5	228.8	240.4	233.8	250.5	274.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland

2/ Based on initial price only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial price only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

Since August 1, 1954 prairie farm prices for wheat are initial prices only and amount to \$1.40 per bushel for No.1 Northern, basis Fort William - Port Arthur. Prices for oats and barley are initial prices plus retroactive interim payments. In total the initial and interim payments amount to \$1.06 per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley and 72 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats at the Lakehead. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board during the crop year 1954-55. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent to the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revision as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.5	191.5	237.6	213.2	272.1	263.7	245.3	228.7	247.8	266.6
1954	240.2	172.7	239.2	189.6	268.1	258.2	229.9	212.7	235.5	257.1
January	241.1	176.7	239.2	194.0	271.5	259.0	230.8	212.7	235.6	255.8
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March	238.4	179.3	235.5	204.9	265.1	252.3	229.4	212.9	237.3	248.2
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September	220.7	199.2	251.0	217.2	253.7	244.5	205.0	180.7	204.7	255.6
October	220.2	223.4	255.5	228.8	258.1	245.8	202.9	175.4	201.0	253.7
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AVERAGE	221.7	214.6	251.6	218.8	262.1	246.3	207.4	176.7	202.9	258.9
1955	222.9	227.0	252.0	221.6	263.0	246.2	210.0	178.2	205.5	256.6
January	221.6	224.5	254.1	225.9	261.8	245.4	208.0	177.3	202.0	257.7
February	228.8	363.9	281.7	315.4	265.8	253.0	209.0	177.4	204.8	254.8
March	229.5	302.2	286.6	290.8	268.7	253.4	211.3	180.5	205.9	260.4
April										
May										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland

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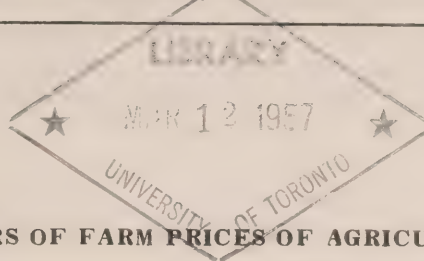
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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, JUNE 1955 1/-
(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for June is estimated at 229.3, slightly above the revised estimate of 229.2 for May and the highest recorded since August 1954. Higher prices for livestock and poultry and eggs slightly offset lower prices for dairy products and potatoes.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

Province	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	June 1955 ^{2/}	May 1955 ^{2/}	June 1954	1954 ^{3/}	1953	1952
Prince Edward Island	244.1	302.1	186.1	196.8	191.5	351.6
Nova Scotia	244.8	261.0	234.1	230.2	234.8	275.1
New Brunswick	257.5	291.3	207.1	211.8	213.2	344.5
Quebec	271.2	270.7	267.7	264.0	272.1	290.2
Ontario	256.0	254.1	256.1	252.8	263.8	286.2
Manitoba	214.4	211.5	233.9	221.9	245.3	266.8
Saskatchewan	181.5	180.4	215.1	200.9	228.7	245.9
Alberta	208.4	205.8	241.6	225.6	247.8	265.3
British Columbia	260.6	255.1	252.6	251.4	265.7	291.4
CANADA ^{1/}	229.3	229.2	241.8	233.4	250.4	274.4

^{1/} Exclude Newfoundland.

^{2/} Based on initial price only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

^{3/} For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial price only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

Since August 1, 1954 prairie farm prices for wheat are initial prices only and amount to \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern, basis Fort William - Port Arthur. Prices for oats and barley are initial prices plus retroactive interim payments. In total the initial and interim payments amount to \$1.06 per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley and 72 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats at the Lakehead. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board during the crop year 1954-55. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
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1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
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1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
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1954	240.0	172.7	230.9	139.6	268.1	258.4	229.9	212.7	235.5	254.5
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AVERAGE	220.9	214.6	225.8	218.9	261.9	246.3	207.4	176.7	202.9	253.4
1955	222.1	227.0	226.2	221.7	262.7	246.2	210.0	178.2	205.5	251.2
January	221.0	224.5	228.3	226.0	263.0	245.4	208.0	177.3	202.0	252.2
February	228.2	363.9	255.9	315.5	267.0	253.0	209.0	177.4	204.8	249.3
March	229.2	302.1	261.0	291.3	270.7	254.1	211.5	180.4	205.8	255.1
April	229.3	244.1	244.8	257.5	271.2	256.0	214.4	181.5	208.4	260.6
May										
June										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland

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(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products estimated at 229.2 for July compares with revised estimates of 229.3 for June and 228.8 for May. Prices were higher for poultry and eggs, lower for potatoes and relatively unchanged for grains, live stock and dairy products.

INDEX NUMBER OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39 = 100)

Province	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	July 1955 2/	June 1955 2/	July 1954	1954 3/	1953	1952
Prince Edward Island	242.4	244.2	186.6	196.8	191.5	351.6
Nova Scotia	233.9	245.2	235.3	230.2	234.8	275.1
New Brunswick	247.3	262.4	210.2	211.8	213.2	344.5
Quebec	268.2	271.8	269.3	264.0	272.1	290.2
Ontario	257.3	256.4	258.4	252.8	263.8	286.2
Manitoba	212.7	212.8	233.3	221.9	245.3	266.8
Saskatchewan	182.3	180.8	212.3	200.9	228.7	245.9
Alberta	209.5	208.0	236.0	225.6	247.8	265.3
British Columbia	261.9	260.7	254.4	251.4	265.7	291.4
CANADA 1/	229.2	229.3	241.1	233.4	250.4	274.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial price only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial price only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1954, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1954 are final prices. Prices for western grains used in construction of the index since August 1, 1954 are initial prices only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1954 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent to the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revision as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
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1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
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March	227.8	302.1	261.0	291.3	271.2	254.1	209.7	179.8	205.1	255.1
April	228.8	244.2	245.2	262.4	271.8	256.4	212.8	180.8	208.0	260.7
May	229.3									
June	229.2	242.4	233.9	247.3	268.2	257.3	212.7	182.3	209.5	261.9
July										

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, SEPTEMBER 1955 1/ -

(1935-39 = 100)

A fractional increase was recorded for the index numbers of farm prices of agricultural products when it rose from 225.9 in August to 226.5 in September. An increase in grain prices in the Prairie Provinces appears to reflect deliveries of higher quality grains. Price increases were also indicated for live stock, dairy products and poultry and eggs. Offsetting these price rises to a considerable extent was a substantial drop in potato prices.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-1939 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Sept. 2/ 1955	Aug 2/ 1955	Sept. 3/ 1954	4/ 1954	1953	1952
Prince Edward Island	170.4	202.3	229.9	196.8	191.5	351.6
Nova Scotia	198.6	217.1	218.8	230.2	234.8	275.1
New Brunswick	181.0	201.4	227.1	211.8	213.2	344.5
Quebec	260.5	263.1	257.8	264.0	272.1	290.2
Ontario	251.8	254.6	248.2	252.8	263.8	286.2
Manitoba	214.3	212.3	213.7	221.9	245.3	266.8
Saskatchewan	193.4	183.0	192.3	200.9	228.7	245.9
Alberta	212.0	209.3	216.1	225.6	247.8	265.3
British Columbia	256.2	257.1	252.0	251.1	265.7	291.4
CANADA 1/	226.5	225.9	227.4	233.4	250.4	274.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price only for wheat and initial prices plus interim payments for oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1954 the following points should be considered. Prices for western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1954 were final prices. During the crop year 1954-55 western wheat prices used in the index were initial prices only, while the oats and barley prices were initial prices plus retroactive interim payments. Since August 1, 1955, only initial payments are available. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1954 and 1955 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

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Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
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During the period August 1954 to July 1955, the prices to western producers for wheat were initial prices only amounting to \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern, basis Fort William - Port Arthur. Prices for oats and barley were initial prices plus retroactive interim payments. In total the initial and interim payments amounted to \$1.06 per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley and 72 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats at the Lakehead, Commencing August 1, 1955 the initial price of wheat remained at \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern, while the above grades of oats and barley were reduced to 65 cents and 96 cents per bushel respectively. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board during the crop years 1954-55 and 1955-56. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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April	228.7	302.1	261.0	291.3	271.2	254.1	209.7	179.8	205.1	255.6
May	229.2	244.2	245.2	262.4	271.8	256.4	212.8	180.8	208.0	259.2
June	229.0	242.3	233.7	247.3	268.3	257.0	212.7	182.3	209.4	260.4
July	225.9	202.3	217.1	201.4	263.1	254.6	212.3	183.0	209.3	257.1
August	226.5	170.4	198.6	181.0	260.5	251.8	214.3	193.4	212.0	256.2
September										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

1955 No. 10

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, OCTOBER 1955 1/-
(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 220.6 for the month of October, 5.7 points below the revised estimate of 226.3 for September. Price declines recorded for grains, live stock, potatoes, and poultry and eggs far more than offset somewhat higher prices for dairy products. The index has been revised to include the recently announced final payments on the 1954 crops of oats and barley amounting to 5.4 cents and 5.8 cents per bushel respectively.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-1939 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Oct. 2/ 1955	Sept. 2/ 1955	Oct. 3/ 1954	4/ 1954	1953	1952
Prince Edward Island	151.9	170.5	199.2	196.8	191.5	351.6
Nova Scotia	202.2	205.1	225.2	230.2	234.8	275.1
New Brunswick	176.8	180.7	217.3	211.8	213.2	344.5
Quebec	251.5	260.2	253.5	264.0	272.1	290.2
Ontario	244.7	251.2	244.5	252.8	263.8	286.2
Manitoba	211.2	214.2	206.8	222.7	245.3	266.8
Saskatchewan	189.7	193.2	181.5	201.2	228.7	245.9
Alberta	205.1	212.1	205.6	226.0	247.8	265.3
British Columbia	254.3	255.3	249.1	251.1	265.7	291.4
CANADA 1/	220.6	226.3	220.4	233.6	250.4	274.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price only for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial price only for wheat for the period August to December inclusive.

In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1954 the following points should be considered. Prices for western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1954 were final prices. On the other hand, only initial prices have been available for wheat for the period August 1, 1954 to date and for oats and barley for the period August 1, 1955 to date. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1954 crop of wheat and the 1955 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1954 to date the initial prices to western producers for wheat have amounted to \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern, basis Fort William - Port Arthur. Since the first of August 1955, initial producer prices at the Lakehead for oats have been 65 cents per bushels for No. 2 C.W. and for barley 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments including the final payment of 6.4 cents per bushel for the 1953 wheat crop and the recently announced final payments of 5.4 and 5.8 cents per bushel made on the 1954 crops of oats and barley respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent to the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	359.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	257.8	265.1	274.4	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	261.3	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	237.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	241.1	186.6	235.3	210.2	269.3	258.4	233.3	212.3	236.0	253.4
July	232.6	232.6	245.3	240.6	260.8	252.3	219.2	196.5	220.6	264.5
August	227.9	229.9	218.8	227.1	257.8	248.2	215.5	193.1	217.0	252.1
September	220.4	199.2	225.2	217.3	253.5	244.5	206.8	181.5	205.6	249.1
October	219.8	223.4	229.8	229.0	257.8	245.8	204.7	176.3	201.9	247.3
November	220.3	215.9	227.3	218.1	260.7	247.1	205.9	176.8	202.5	242.6
December	233.6	196.8	230.2	211.8	264.0	252.8	223.7	201.2	226.0	251.1
AVERAGE	221.3	214.6	225.8	218.9	261.9	246.3	209.2	177.5	203.7	252.3
January	222.5	227.0	226.2	221.7	262.7	246.2	211.8	179.0	206.4	250.1
February	221.3	224.5	228.3	226.0	263.5	245.4	208.3	178.0	202.7	251.1
March	228.2	363.9	255.9	315.5	267.5	253.0	209.0	177.6	205.0	247.5
April	229.2	302.1	261.0	291.3	271.2	254.1	211.5	180.6	206.0	253.6
May	229.7	244.2	245.2	262.4	271.8	256.4	214.6	181.7	208.9	259.2
June	229.6	242.3	233.7	247.3	268.3	257.0	214.5	183.2	210.3	260.5
July	225.9	202.3	217.1	201.4	263.1	254.6	212.3	183.0	209.3	257.1
August	226.3	170.5	205.1	180.7	260.2	251.2	214.2	193.2	212.1	255.3
September	220.6	151.9	202.2	176.8	251.5	244.7	211.2	189.7	205.1	254.3
October										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, NOVEMBER 1955 1/-

(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 220.8 for the month of November, fractionally above the revised estimate of 220.7 for October. Lower prices for live stock were slightly more than offset by higher prices for dairy products, potatoes, and poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Nov. <u>2</u> / 1955	Oct. <u>2</u> / 1955	Nov. <u>3</u> / 1954	<u>4</u> / 1954	1953	1952
Prince Edward Island	157.0	151.8	223.4	196.8	191.5	351.6
Nova Scotia	201.6	202.5	229.8	230.2	234.8	275.1
New Brunswick	186.6	176.6	229.0	211.8	213.2	344.5
Quebec	252.2	251.3	257.8	264.0	272.1	290.2
Ontario	245.3	245.2	245.8	252.8	263.8	286.2
Manitoba	209.4	211.2	204.7	222.7	245.3	266.8
Saskatchewan	190.9	189.9	176.3	201.2	228.7	245.9
Alberta	202.0	205.1	201.9	226.0	247.8	265.3
British Columbia	257.5	253.2	247.3	251.1	265.7	291.4
CANADA <u>1</u> / <u>4</u> /	220.8	220.7	219.8	233.6	250.4	274.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price only for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial price only for wheat for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1954 the following points should be considered. Prices for western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1954 were final prices. On the other hand, only initial prices have been available for wheat for the period August 1, 1954 to date and for oats and barley for the period August 1, 1955 to date. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1954 crop of wheat and the 1955 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1954 to date the initial prices to western producers for wheat have amounted to \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern, basis Fort William - Port Arthur. Since the first of August 1955, initial producer prices at the Lakehead for oats have been 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. and for barley 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments including the final payment of 6.4 cents per bushel for the 1953 wheat crop and the recently announced final payments of 5.4 and 5.8 cents per bushel made on the 1954 crops of oats and barley respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent to the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
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1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.3	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	290.2	286.2	266.8	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	305.6	315.0	301.6	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	238.7	247.8	265.7
1954	241.1	186.6	235.3	210.2	269.3	258.4	233.3	212.3	236.0	253.4
July	232.6	232.6	245.3	240.6	260.8	252.3	219.2	196.5	220.6	264.5
August	227.9	229.9	218.8	227.1	257.8	248.2	215.5	193.1	217.0	252.1
September	220.4	199.2	225.2	217.3	253.5	244.5	206.8	181.5	205.6	249.1
October	219.8	223.4	229.8	229.0	257.8	245.8	204.7	176.3	201.9	247.3
November	220.3	215.9	227.3	218.1	260.7	247.1	205.9	176.8	202.5	242.6
December	233.6	196.8	230.2	211.8	264.0	252.8	222.7	201.2	226.0	251.1
AVERAGE	221.3	214.6	225.8	218.9	261.9	246.3	209.2	177.5	203.7	252.3
January	222.5	227.0	226.2	221.7	262.7	246.2	211.8	179.0	206.4	250.1
February	221.3	224.5	228.3	226.0	263.5	245.4	208.3	178.0	202.7	251.1
March	228.2	363.9	255.9	315.5	267.5	253.0	209.0	177.6	205.0	247.5
April	229.2	302.1	261.0	291.3	271.2	254.1	211.5	180.6	206.0	253.6
May	229.7	244.2	245.2	262.4	271.8	256.4	214.6	181.7	208.9	259.2
June	229.6	242.3	233.7	247.3	268.3	257.0	214.5	183.2	210.3	260.5
July	225.9	202.3	217.1	201.4	263.1	254.6	212.3	183.0	209.3	257.1
August	226.3	170.5	205.1	180.7	260.2	251.2	214.2	193.2	212.1	255.3
September	220.7	151.8	202.5	176.6	251.3	245.2	211.2	189.9	205.1	253.2
October	220.8	157.0	201.6	186.6	252.2	245.3	209.4	190.9	202.0	257.5
November										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, DECEMBER 1955 1/-

(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 219.5 for the month of December. This is slightly below the revised estimate of 220.1 for November. Lower prices for live stock, and poultry and eggs more than offset higher prices for dairy products, potatoes and some of the grains.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Dec 2/ 1955	Nov. 2/ 1955	Dec 3/ 1954	4/ 1955	5/ 1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	161.1	157.0	215.9	221.8	196.8	191.5
Nova Scotia	202.0	201.2	227.3	225.3	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	184.2	186.5	218.1	226.1	211.8	213.2
Quebec	254.4	251.1	260.7	262.2	264.0	272.1
Ontario	241.3	243.7	247.1	249.5	252.8	263.8
Manitoba	209.9	209.4	205.9	211.3	222.7	245.3
Saskatchewan	190.8	190.9	176.8	183.8	201.2	228.7
Alberta	200.7	202.1	202.5	206.0	226.0	247.8
British Columbia	254.3	256.1	242.6	254.2	251.1	265.7
CANADA 1/	219.5	220.1	220.3	224.5	233.6	250.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price only for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on the initial price only for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on the initial price only for wheat for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1954 to date the initial prices to western producers for wheat have amounted to \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern, basis Fort William - Port Arthur. Since the first of August 1955, initial producer prices at the Lakehead for oats have been 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. and for barley 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	E.C.
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1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	241.1	186.6	235.3	210.2	269.3	258.4	233.3	212.3	236.0	253.4
July	232.6	232.6	245.3	240.6	260.8	252.3	219.2	196.5	220.6	264.5
August	227.9	229.9	218.8	227.1	257.8	248.2	215.5	193.1	217.0	252.1
September	220.4	199.2	225.2	217.3	253.5	244.5	206.8	181.5	205.6	249.1
October	219.8	223.4	229.8	229.0	257.8	245.8	204.7	176.3	201.9	247.3
November	220.3	215.9	227.3	218.1	260.7	247.1	205.9	176.8	202.5	242.6
December	233.6	196.8	230.2	211.8	264.0	252.8	222.7	201.2	226.0	251.1
AVERAGE	221.3	214.6	225.8	218.9	261.9	246.3	209.2	177.5	203.7	252.3
January	222.5	227.0	226.2	221.7	262.7	246.2	211.8	179.0	206.4	250.1
February	221.3	224.5	228.3	226.0	263.5	245.4	208.3	178.0	202.7	251.1
March	228.2	363.9	255.9	315.5	267.5	253.0	209.0	177.6	205.0	247.5
April	229.2	302.1	261.0	291.3	271.2	254.1	211.5	180.6	206.0	253.6
May	229.7	244.2	245.2	262.4	271.8	256.4	214.6	181.7	208.9	259.2
June	229.6	242.3	233.7	247.3	268.3	257.0	214.5	183.2	210.3	260.5
July	226.0	202.3	217.1	201.4	263.1	254.6	212.5	183.0	209.3	257.1
August	226.3	170.5	205.1	181.0	260.2	251.2	214.0	193.3	212.0	255.3
September	220.7	151.9	202.5	176.6	251.3	245.2	211.2	189.9	205.1	253.2
October	220.1	157.0	201.2	186.5	251.1	243.7	209.4	190.9	202.1	256.1
November	219.5	161.1	202.0	184.2	254.4	241.3	209.9	190.8	200.7	254.3
December	224.5	221.8	225.3	226.1	262.2	249.5	211.3	183.8	206.0	254.2
AVERAGE										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, JANUARY 1956 1/- (1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 218.3 for January, 1.4 points below the revised figure of 219.7 for December. A fairly substantial decline in the price of eggs together with minor reductions for grains and livestock more than offset higher potato prices

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Jan 2/ 1956	Dec 2/ 1955	Jan 3/ 1955	4/ 1955	5/ 1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	168.7	160.2	213.7	220.9	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	201.7	202.0	225.8	225.3	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	198.5	184.2	218.9	226.1	211.8	213.2
Quebec	255.3	255.3	262.5	263.3	264.3	272.1
Ontario	239.9	241.8	246.3	249.6	252.8	263.8
Manitoba	208.1	209.9	213.5	213.8	224.5	245.3
Saskatchewan	189.2	190.8	184.1	187.6	204.0	228.7
Alberta	196.7	200.7	209.4	209.3	228.4	247.8
British Columbia	255.6	254.4	252.5	254.3	251.2	265.7
CANADA 1/	218.3	219.7	224.2	226.3	234.8	250.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on the initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on the initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1954 the following points should be considered. Prices for western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1954 were final prices. For the period August 1, 1954 to July 31, 1955 western wheat prices were initial prices plus an interim payment. Since August 1, 1955 only initial prices have been available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1954 crop of wheat and the 1955 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

Since August 1, 1955, initial prices to producers at Fort William - Port Arthur, have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The price used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced interim payment on the 1954 wheat crop. All payment of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent to the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	372.1	263.8	245.3	247.8	265.7
1954	241.1	186.0	235.3	210.2	269.8	258.4	233.4	236.0	253.4
July	235.5	232.0	245.3	240.6	261.2	252.3	223.5	226.3	264.7
August	230.8	229.2	218.8	227.1	258.4	248.2	219.7	222.6	252.1
September	223.3	198.6	225.2	217.3	254.1	244.5	211.1	211.3	249.3
October	222.7	222.7	229.8	229.0	258.5	245.8	209.0	207.6	247.4
November	223.2	215.3	227.3	218.2	261.4	247.1	210.3	208.2	242.9
December	234.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	224.5	228.4	251.2
AVERAGE	224.2	213.7	225.8	218.9	262.5	246.3	213.5	209.4	252.5
January	225.5	226.1	226.2	221.7	263.4	246.2	216.1	212.1	250.3
February	224.2	223.6	228.3	226.0	264.2	245.4	212.6	208.4	251.3
March	231.1	363.0	255.9	315.5	268.2	253.0	213.3	210.6	247.7
April	232.1	301.2	261.0	291.3	271.9	254.1	215.6	211.7	253.8
May	232.6	243.3	245.2	262.4	272.3	256.4	218.9	214.6	259.5
June	232.6	241.4	233.7	247.3	269.9	257.0	218.8	216.0	260.7
July	226.1	201.4	217.1	201.4	264.7	254.6	212.5	209.3	257.1
August	226.5	169.6	205.1	181.0	261.6	251.2	214.0	212.0	255.3
September	220.9	150.9	202.5	176.6	252.7	245.2	211.2	205.1	253.2
October	220.3	156.0	201.2	186.5	252.5	243.7	209.4	202.1	256.1
November	219.7	160.2	202.0	184.2	255.3	241.8	209.9	200.7	254.4
December	226.3	220.9	225.3	226.1	263.3	249.6	213.8	209.3	254.3
AVERAGE	218.3	168.7	201.7	198.5	255.3	239.9	208.1	196.7	255.6
1956 January									

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, FEBRUARY 1956 1/- (1935-39 = 100)

A preliminary estimate places the index of farm prices for February at 218.3, fractionally above the revised figure of 218.1 for January. Somewhat higher prices for grains, livestock and potatoes slightly offset lower prices for dairy products, and poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBER OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Feb 2/ 1956	Jan 2/ 1956	Feb 3/ 1955	4/ 1955	5/ 1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	170.9	168.6	226.1	220.9	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	205.9	201.1	226.2	225.3	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	197.5	198.5	221.7	226.1	211.8	213.2
Quebec	254.7	253.7	263.4	262.0	264.3	272.1
Ontario	238.5	239.5	246.2	249.6	252.8	263.8
Manitoba	209.8	208.1	216.2	214.0	224.5	245.3
Saskatchewan	188.3	189.1	185.5	187.6	204.0	228.7
Alberta	199.1	197.1	212.0	200.3	228.4	247.8
British Columbia	253.9	255.2	250.1	254.2	251.2	265.7
CANADA 1/	218.3	218.1	225.4	226.2	234.8	250.4

- 1/ Excludes Newfoundland.
- 2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- 3/ Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- 4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on the initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.
- 5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on the initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1954 the following points should be considered. Prices for western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1954 were final prices. For the period August 1, 1954 to July 31, 1955 western wheat prices were initial prices plus an interim payment. Since August 1, 1955 only initial prices have been available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1954 crop of wheat and the 1955 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

Since August 1, 1955, initial prices to producers at Fort William - Port Arthur, have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced interim payment on the 1954 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent to the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	235.5	232.0	245.3	240.6	261.2	252.3	223.5	203.1	226.3	264.7
August	230.8	229.2	218.8	227.1	258.4	248.2	219.7	199.7	222.6	252.1
September	223.3	198.6	225.2	217.3	254.1	244.5	211.1	188.1	211.3	249.3
October	222.7	222.7	229.8	229.0	258.5	245.8	209.0	182.8	207.6	247.4
November	223.2	215.3	227.3	218.2	261.4	247.1	210.3	183.4	208.2	242.9
December	234.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	224.5	204.0	228.4	251.2
AVERAGE	224.2	213.7	225.9	218.9	262.5	246.3	213.7	184.1	209.3	252.3
January	225.4	226.1	226.7	221.7	263.4	246.2	216.2	185.5	212.0	250.1
February	224.1	223.6	228.5	226.0	263.3	245.4	212.7	184.5	208.3	251.3
March	231.0	363.0	255.9	315.6	266.7	253.0	213.5	184.2	210.6	247.7
April	232.0	301.2	261.0	291.3	270.4	254.1	215.9	187.1	211.6	253.8
May	232.4	243.3	245.2	262.4	270.8	256.4	219.0	188.2	214.5	259.5
June	232.4	241.4	233.7	247.3	268.4	257.0	219.0	189.7	215.9	260.5
July	226.0	201.4	217.1	201.4	263.2	254.6	212.7	183.0	209.2	257.1
August	226.3	169.6	205.2	181.0	260.1	251.2	214.1	193.4	211.9	255.1
September	220.7	150.9	202.5	176.6	251.2	245.2	211.3	189.9	205.0	253.0
October	220.2	156.0	201.2	186.5	251.0	243.7	209.5	190.9	202.6	256.0
November	219.5	160.2	201.6	184.1	253.4	241.6	210.0	190.8	201.1	254.4
December	226.2	220.9	225.3	226.1	262.0	249.6	214.0	187.6	209.3	254.2
AVERAGE	218.1	168.6	201.1	198.5	253.7	239.5	208.1	189.1	197.1	255.2
January	218.3	170.9	205.9	197.5	254.7	238.5	209.8	188.3	199.1	253.9
February										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, MARCH 1956 1/-
(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices for March is estimated at 219.4, 1.1 points above the revised estimate of 218.3 for February. Higher prices were recorded for grains, livestock, potatoes, and poultry and eggs. Prices of dairy products were lower.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Mar <u>2</u> / 1956	Feb <u>2</u> / 1956	Mar <u>3</u> / 1955	<u>4</u> / 1955	<u>5</u> / 1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	184.1	170.9	223.6	220.9	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	209.3	205.8	228.3	225.3	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	209.6	197.4	226.0	226.1	211.8	213.2
Quebec	254.3	254.7	263.3	262.0	264.3	272.1
Ontario	239.2	238.5	245.4	249.6	252.8	263.8
Manitoba	209.7	209.9	212.7	214.0	224.5	245.3
Saskatchewan	188.4	188.3	184.5	187.6	204.0	228.7
Alberta	201.4	198.9	208.3	209.3	228.4	247.8
British Columbia	254.2	254.7	251.3	254.2	251.2	265.7
CANADA <u>1</u> /	219.4	218.3	224.1	226.2	234.8	250.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on the initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on the initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1954 the following points should be considered. Prices for western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1954 were final prices. For the period August 1, 1954 to July 31, 1955 western wheat prices were initial prices plus an interim payment. Since August 1, 1955 only initial prices have been available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1954 crop of wheat and the 1955 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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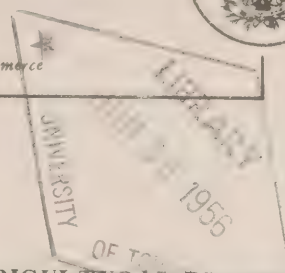
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1955	224.2	213.7	225.9	218.9	262.5	246.3	213.7	184.1	209.3	252.3
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A preliminary estimate places the index of farm prices of agricultural products for April at 220.2. This is one point above the revised estimate of 219.2 for March. Higher average prices for grains, potatoes, and poultry and eggs more than offset lower prices for livestock and dairy products. The index for the period August 1954 to July 1955 inclusive has been revised to include the recently announced final payment on the 1954 prairie wheat crop of 12.461 cents per bushel.

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	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	April ^{2/} 1956	March ^{2/} 1956	April 1955	1955 ^{2/}	1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	231.0	184.1	363.0	220.9	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	214.3	209.3	255.9	225.3	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	229.3	209.5	315.6	226.1	211.8	213.2
Quebec	252.4	252.8	266.7	262.0	264.3	272.1
Ontario	239.4	239.4	253.0	249.6	252.8	263.8
Manitoba	209.1	209.4	220.8	218.3	227.5	245.3
Saskatchewan	188.7	188.4	195.4	194.2	208.7	228.7
Alberta	200.7	201.3	220.3	215.0	232.4	247.8
British Columbia	255.3	253.6	248.1	254.4	251.3	265.7
CANADA ^{1/}	220.2	219.2	235.8	229.0	236.8	250.4

- ^{1/} Excludes Newfoundland.
- ^{2/} Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- ^{3/} For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
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March										
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 225.2 for the month of May, 4.4 points above the revised figure of 220.8 for April. Higher average prices for grains, livestock, potatoes, and poultry and eggs more than offset slightly lower prices for dairy products.

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	May <u>2</u> / 1956	April <u>2</u> / 1956	May 1955	1955 <u>2</u> / 1954	1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	320.4	231.1	301.2	220.9	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	229.4	214.4	261.0	225.3	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	269.4	229.5	291.3	226.1	211.8	213.2
Quebec	258.8	254.3	270.4	262.0	264.3	272.1
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Manitoba	212.6	209.3	223.3	218.3	227.5	245.3
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British Columbia	256.7	255.4	254.2	254.4	251.3	265.7
CANADA <u>1</u> / 	225.2	220.8	236.8	229.0	236.8	250.4

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April										
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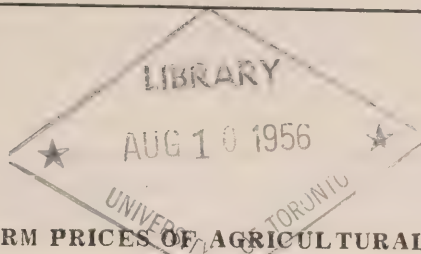
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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, JUNE 1956 1/-

(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products, estimated at 218.0 for January of this year, has moved steadily upward since that time and by June it had reached 232.5. Contributing largely to this movement was rising prices for grains, livestock, potatoes and poultry & eggs. The greatest monthly gain occurred between May and June when the index rose from 225.2 to 232.5. In this instance, higher prices for livestock, potatoes, and poultry and eggs more than offset slightly lower prices for dairy products.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	June <u>2/</u> 1956	May <u>2/</u> 1956	June 1956	1955 <u>3/</u>	1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	312.2	320.0	243.0	220.6	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	238.1	229.4	245.2	225.3	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	290.7	269.4	262.4	226.1	211.8	213.2
Quebec	268.6	259.2	270.8	262.0	264.3	272.1
Ontario	255.1	242.7	256.3	249.4	252.8	263.8
Manitoba	210.8	212.6	226.4	218.3	227.5	245.3
Saskatchewan	193.1	189.4	199.5	194.2	208.7	228.7
Alberta	210.1	204.1	224.2	215.0	232.4	247.8
British Columbia	262.3	257.1	259.8	254.4	251.3	265.7
CANADA <u>1/</u>	232.5	225.2	237.3	229.0	236.8	250.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1955, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1955 are final prices. Prices for western grains used in the construction of the index since August 1, 1955 are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1955 crops of western wheat, oats and barley will be added to the western grain prices currently used for the period August 1, 1955 to date and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

Since August 1, 1955, initial prices to producers at Fort William - Port Arthur, have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of 12.461 cents per bushel on the 1954 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
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1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	251.3
1955	229.1	213.4	225.9	218.9	262.5	246.3	221.0	195.3	219.1	252.7
January	230.3	225.8	226.2	221.7	263.4	246.2	223.6	196.8	221.7	250.5
February	229.0	223.4	228.3	226.0	263.3	245.4	220.1	195.7	218.0	251.6
March	235.8	362.7	255.9	315.6	266.7	253.0	220.8	195.4	220.3	248.1
April	236.8	301.0	261.0	291.3	270.4	254.1	223.3	198.4	221.3	254.2
May	237.3	243.0	245.2	262.4	270.8	256.3	226.4	199.5	224.2	259.8
June	237.2	241.1	233.7	247.3	268.4	256.7	226.3	201.0	225.6	260.9
July	225.8	201.2	217.1	201.4	263.2	254.2	212.7	183.0	209.2	257.1
August	226.2	169.4	205.2	181.0	260.1	250.8	214.1	193.4	211.9	255.1
September	220.6	150.6	202.5	176.6	251.2	244.8	211.3	189.9	205.0	253.0
October	220.1	155.8	201.2	186.5	251.0	243.4	209.5	190.9	202.6	256.0
November	219.4	159.9	201.6	184.1	253.4	241.3	210.0	190.8	201.1	254.4
December	229.0	220.6	225.3	226.1	262.0	249.4	218.3	194.2	215.0	254.4
AVERAGE	218.0	168.3	201.1	198.5	253.7	239.2	208.1	189.1	197.1	255.2
January	218.2	170.6	205.8	197.4	254.7	238.2	209.9	188.3	198.9	254.7
February	219.1	183.9	209.3	209.5	252.8	239.1	209.4	188.4	201.3	253.6
March	220.7	230.8	214.4	229.5	254.3	240.4	209.3	188.7	200.8	255.4
April	225.2	320.0	229.4	269.4	259.2	242.7	212.6	189.4	204.1	257.1
May	232.5	312.2	238.1	290.7	268.6	255.1	210.8	193.1	210.1	262.3
June										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, JULY 1956 1/- (1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices, which has been moving steadily upward since January when it stood at 217.0, continued its upward trend as it increased from 231.8 in June to 238.4 in July. Although the estimate for July is based on initial prices only for western wheat and coarse grains (see page 2), it is the highest level reached by the index since September 1954 when the index stood at 235.5. Between June and July 1956 price increases were recorded for grains, livestock, dairy products, potatoes, and poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	July 2/ 1956	June 2/ 1956	July 1955	1955 3/ 1954	1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	424.5	312.2	241.1	220.6	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	227.0	222.2	233.7	220.0	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	313.0	289.9	247.4	228.0	211.8	213.2
Quebec	274.3	268.0	268.5	261.9	264.3	272.1
Ontario	262.6	256.0	256.6	249.2	252.8	263.8
Manitoba	217.8	210.8	226.3	218.3	227.5	245.3
Saskatchewan	194.3	193.1	201.0	194.2	208.7	228.7
Alberta	212.7	210.1	225.6	215.0	232.4	247.8
British Columbia	264.4	250.3	257.4	248.2	249.6	265.7
CANADA 1/	238.4	231.8	237.0	228.5	236.8	250.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	83.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	103.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.3	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	139.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	248.7
1955	228.9	213.4	225.9	218.9	262.5	246.3	223.6	195.3	219.1	246.5
January	230.1	225.8	226.2	221.7	263.4	246.2	220.1	196.8	221.7	247.6
February	228.8	223.4	228.3	226.0	263.2	245.4	220.8	195.4	220.3	244.4
March	235.7	362.7	235.9	315.6	266.7	253.0	223.3	198.4	221.3	250.5
April	236.7	301.0	261.0	291.3	270.4	254.1	226.4	199.5	224.2	255.0
May	237.0	243.0	245.2	262.5	270.9	256.1	226.3	201.0	225.6	257.4
June	237.0	241.1	333.7	247.4	268.5	256.6	226.3	201.0	225.6	257.4
July	225.8	201.2	217.1	201.5	263.3	254.3	212.7	183.0	209.2	254.1
August	225.2	169.4	189.1	180.8	259.7	250.4	214.1	193.4	211.9	243.9
September	219.6	150.6	186.4	176.4	250.8	244.3	211.3	189.9	205.0	241.8
October	219.1	155.0	185.1	186.4	250.6	243.0	209.5	190.9	202.6	244.7
November	218.4	159.9	185.5	184.0	253.0	240.8	210.0	190.8	201.1	243.2
December	220.5	229.0	220.0	226.0	261.9	249.2	218.3	194.2	215.0	248.2
AVERAGE	219.0	160.2	185.0	198.4	253.4	238.8	208.1	189.1	197.1	244.0
January	217.2	170.6	199.7	197.3	254.3	237.3	209.9	188.3	198.9	243.6
February	219.1	171.9	197.2	209.4	252.4	238.7	209.4	188.4	201.3	242.4
March	219.7	150.6	199.3	229.4	254.0	240.0	209.3	188.7	200.8	244.1
April	224.2	320.0	213.3	269.3	258.8	242.3	212.6	189.4	204.1	245.6
May	231.8	312.2	222.2	289.9	261.0	256.0	210.8	193.1	210.1	250.3
June	238.4	424.5	227.0	313.0	274.3	259.6	217.8	194.3	212.7	264.4
July										

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The upward movement in the index of farm prices, which took place during the January-July period of this year, was reversed in August. The August figure estimated at 232.5 was 5.6 points below the revised estimate of 238.1 for July. A substantial decline in the price of potatoes together with minor reductions in prices of livestock and some of the grains more than offset increased prices for dairy products, and poultry and eggs.

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	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Aug. 2/ 1956	July 2/ 1956	Aug. 2/ 1955	1955 3/ 1956	1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	279.6	424.4	201.2	220.6	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	209.9	227.1	217.1	220.0	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	259.9	313.0	201.5	226.0	211.8	213.2
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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	225.8	201.2	217.1	201.5	263.3	254.3	212.7	183.0	209.2	254.1
August	225.2	169.4	189.1	180.8	259.7	250.4	214.1	193.4	211.9	243.9
September	219.6	150.6	186.4	176.4	250.8	244.3	211.3	189.9	205.0	241.8
October	219.1	155.8	185.1	186.4	250.6	243.0	209.5	190.9	202.6	244.7
November	218.4	159.9	185.5	184.0	253.0	240.8	210.0	190.8	201.1	243.2
December	228.5	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.9	249.2	218.3	194.2	215.0	248.2
AVERAGE	217.0	168.3	185.0	198.4	253.4	238.8	208.1	189.1	197.1	244.0
January	217.2	170.6	189.7	197.3	254.3	237.8	209.9	188.3	198.9	243.6
February	218.1	183.9	193.2	209.4	252.4	238.7	209.4	188.4	201.3	242.4
March	219.7	230.8	198.3	229.4	254.0	240.0	209.3	188.7	200.8	244.1
April	224.2	320.0	213.3	269.3	258.8	242.3	212.6	189.4	204.1	245.6
May	232.2	312.2	222.2	289.9	268.0	256.0	214.7	193.1	210.1	250.3
June	238.1	424.4	227.1	313.0	273.7	262.2	217.9	194.3	212.6	263.3
July	232.5	279.6	209.9	259.9	262.9	259.1	217.5	194.2	213.8	251.9
August										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, SEPTEMBER 1956 1/-
(1935-39 = 100)

A preliminary estimate places the index of farm prices of agricultural products at 229.7 for September. This is 2.9 points below the revised estimate of 232.6 for August, but 4.5 points above the comparable estimate of 225.2 for September 1955. Compared with the preceding month, September prices were lower for grains, potatoes, and poultry & eggs, but higher for dairy products and livestock. In contrast with September a year ago, higher prices for livestock, dairy products and potatoes more than offset lower prices for poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Sept. 2/ 1956	Aug. 2/ 1956	Sept. 2/ 1955	1955 3/ 1954	1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	191.3	279.5	169.4	220.6	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	208.8	210.0	189.1	220.0	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	208.3	259.9	180.8	226.0	211.8	213.2
Quebec	260.8	263.0	259.7	261.9	264.3	272.1
Ontario	258.1	259.2	250.4	249.2	252.8	263.8
Manitoba	216.5	217.6	214.1	218.3	227.5	245.3
Saskatchewan	191.8	194.2	193.4	194.2	208.7	228.7
Alberta	213.6	213.8	211.9	215.0	232.4	247.8
British Columbia	259.5	252.5	243.9	248.2	249.6	265.7
CANADA 1/	229.7	232.6	225.2	228.5	236.8	250.4

- 1/ Excludes Newfoundland.
- 2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- 3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1955, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1955 are final prices. Prices for western grains used in the construction of the index since August 1, 1955 are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1955 and 1956 crops of western wheat, oats and barley will be added to the western grain prices currently used for the period August 1, 1955 to date and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

Since August 1, 1955, initial prices to producers at Fort William - Port Arthur, have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/
(1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	E.C.
1935	88.6	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	103.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.3	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	135.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	225.8	201.2	217.1	201.5	263.3	254.3	212.7	183.0	209.2	254.1
August	225.2	169.4	189.1	180.8	259.7	250.4	214.1	193.4	211.9	243.9
September	219.6	150.6	186.4	176.4	250.8	244.3	211.3	189.9	205.0	241.8
October	219.1	155.8	185.1	186.4	250.6	243.0	209.5	190.9	202.6	244.7
November	218.4	159.9	185.5	184.0	253.0	240.8	210.0	190.8	201.1	243.2
December	228.5	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.9	249.2	218.3	194.2	215.0	248.2
AVERAGE	217.0	168.3	185.0	198.4	253.4	238.8	208.1	189.1	197.1	244.0
January	217.2	170.6	189.7	197.3	254.3	237.8	209.9	188.3	198.9	243.6
February	218.1	183.9	193.2	209.4	252.4	238.7	209.4	188.4	201.3	242.4
March	219.7	230.8	198.3	229.4	254.0	240.0	209.3	188.7	200.8	244.1
April	224.2	320.0	213.3	269.3	258.8	242.3	212.6	189.4	204.1	245.6
May	232.2	312.2	222.2	289.9	268.0	256.0	214.7	193.1	210.1	250.3
June	238.1	424.4	227.1	313.0	273.7	262.2	217.9	194.3	212.6	263.3
July	232.6	279.5	210.0	259.9	263.0	259.2	217.6	194.2	213.8	252.5
August	229.7	191.3	203.8	208.3	260.8	258.1	216.5	191.8	213.6	259.5
September										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, OCTOBER 1956 1/- (1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural prices is estimated at 228.5 for October, 1.1 points below the revised estimate of 229.6 for September. Lower prices for grains, potatoes, and poultry and eggs more than offset increased prices for livestock and dairy products.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Oct. 2/ 1956	Sept. 2/ 1956	Oct. 2/ 1955	1955 3/	1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	189.4	191.4	150.6	220.6	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	212.9	208.5	186.4	220.0	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	201.4	208.3	176.4	226.0	211.8	213.2
Quebec	261.7	260.9	250.8	261.9	264.3	272.1
Ontario	263.2	258.1	244.3	249.2	252.8	263.8
Manitoba	208.9	216.4	211.3	218.3	227.5	245.3
Saskatchewan	184.1	191.8	189.9	194.2	208.7	228.7
Alberta	210.2	213.6	205.0	215.0	232.4	247.8
British Columbia	263.9	257.2	241.8	248.2	249.6	265.7
CANADA 1/	228.5	229.6	219.6	228.5	236.8	250.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1955, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1955 are final prices. Prices for western grains used in the construction of the index since August 1, 1955 are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1955 and 1956 crops of western wheat, oats and barley will be added to the western grain prices currently used for the period August 1, 1955 to date and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

Since August 1, 1955, initial prices to producers at Fort William - Port Arthur, have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
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1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
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1955	225.8	201.2	217.1	201.5	263.3	254.3	212.7	183.0	209.2	254.1
August										
September										
October										
November										
December										
1956										
AVERAGE										
January	219.1	155.8	185.1	186.4	250.6	243.0	209.5	190.9	202.6	244.7
February	218.4	159.9	185.5	184.0	253.0	240.8	210.0	190.8	201.1	243.2
March	228.5	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.9	249.2	218.3	194.2	215.0	248.2
April	217.0	168.3	185.0	198.4	253.4	238.8	208.1	189.1	197.1	244.0
May	217.2	170.6	189.7	197.3	254.3	237.8	209.9	188.3	198.9	243.6
June	218.1	183.9	193.2	209.4	252.4	238.7	209.4	188.4	201.3	242.4
July	219.7	230.8	198.3	229.4	254.0	240.0	209.3	188.7	200.8	244.1
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September	232.2	312.2	222.2	289.9	268.0	256.0	214.7	193.1	210.1	250.3
October	238.1	424.4	227.1	313.0	273.7	262.2	217.9	194.3	212.6	263.3
November	232.6	279.5	210.0	259.9	263.0	259.2	217.6	194.2	213.8	252.5
December	229.6	191.4	208.5	208.3	260.9	258.1	216.4	191.8	213.6	257.2
1957	228.5	189.4	212.9	201.4	261.7	263.2	208.9	184.1	210.2	263.9

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, NOVEMBER 1956 1/-
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Although the index of farm prices of agricultural products moved steadily downward during the four-month period August through November 1956, it was consistently above the level of the index for the corresponding period of 1955. From a revised estimate of 228.7 for October 1956 it declined to 225.4 in November; lower prices for grains, livestock, and poultry and eggs more than offset higher prices for dairy products and potatoes. The index has been revised for the period August 1955 to July 1956 to include the final payments on the 1955 crops of oats and barley amounting to 11.4 cents and 13.4 cents per bushel respectively.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Nov. 2/ 1956	Oct. 2/ 1956	Nov. 3/ 1955	1955 4/ 1954	1954	1953
Prince Edward Island	204.7	189.4	155.8	220.6	196.1	191.5
Nova Scotia	211.5	212.1	185.1	220.0	230.2	234.8
New Brunswick	222.7	201.5	186.4	226.0	211.8	213.2
Quebec	262.3	261.8	250.6	261.9	264.3	272.1
Ontario	259.1	263.5	243.0	249.2	252.8	263.8
Manitoba	205.6	209.0	213.6	220.0	227.5	245.3
Saskatchewan	180.2	184.1	192.7	194.9	208.7	228.7
Alberta	204.5	210.3	204.5	215.8	232.4	247.8
British Columbia	257.5	266.0	244.8	248.2	249.6	265.7
CANADA 1/	225.4	228.7	220.2	229.0	236.8	250.4

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price only for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price only for wheat, for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1955, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1955 are final prices. On the other hand, only initial prices are available for wheat for the period August 1, 1955 to date and for oats and barley for the period August 1, 1956 to date. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1955 crop of wheat and the 1956 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1955 to date the initial prices to western producers for wheat at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern. Since the first of August 1956, initial producer prices at the Lakehead for oats have been on the basis of 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W., and for barley 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recent final payments of 11.4 cents and 13.4 cents per bushel made on the 1955 crops of oats and barley, respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for the month of December equals the revised estimate of 225.8 for the month of November. Prices remained fairly steady for grains, livestock and dairy products. Lower prices for poultry and eggs were offset by higher prices for potatoes.

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(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Dec. 2/ 1956	Nov. 2/ 1956	Dec. 3/ 1955	1956 4/ 1955 5/	1954	
Prince Edward Island	214.9	204.6	159.9	240.8	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	214.4	212.3	185.5	207.2	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	223.7	222.6	184.0	235.2	226.0	211.8
Quebec	268.2	263.6	252.6	260.6	261.7	264.3
Ontario	257.3	259.7	240.8	251.0	249.2	252.8
Manitoba	206.3	205.5	214.1	213.8	220.0	227.5
Saskatchewan	180.1	180.2	192.6	189.6	194.9	208.7
Alberta	204.6	204.4	203.0	207.1	215.8	232.4
British Columbia	257.5	258.1	243.3	252.1	248.2	249.6
CANADA 1/	225.8	225.8	219.5	226.3	229.0	236.8

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1955, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1955 are final prices. On the other hand, only initial prices are available for wheat for the period August 1, 1955 to date and for oats and barley for the period August 1, 1956 to date. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1955 crop of wheat and the 1956 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
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Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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	1957	1956	1956			
Prince Edward Island	231.8	215.0	168.3	240.8	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	218.8	214.0	185.0	207.2	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	245.1	223.9	198.2	235.0	226.0	211.8
Quebec	267.9	266.8	252.3	260.0	261.7	264.3
Ontario	258.9	257.0	238.8	251.0	249.2	252.8
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1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
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1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	230.9	201.2	217.1	201.5	262.7	254.3	222.8	194.2	219.2	254.4
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October	224.2	155.8	185.1	185.4	250.2	243.0	219.7	202.1	212.6	245.1
November	223.5	159.9	185.5	184.0	252.6	240.8	220.2	202.0	211.1	243.6
December	230.6	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	222.5	198.8	219.2	248.3
AVERAGE	222.0	168.3	185.0	198.2	252.3	238.8	218.3	200.2	207.1	243.9
January	222.2	170.6	189.6	197.0	253.3	237.7	220.0	199.5	208.9	243.7
February	223.2	183.9	193.1	209.1	252.3	238.7	219.7	199.6	211.3	242.5
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April	229.2	320.0	213.2	269.1	257.7	242.2	222.8	200.5	214.1	245.7
May	237.2	312.2	222.0	289.7	267.0	256.0	224.9	204.3	220.1	250.4
June	243.4	424.4	227.0	312.8	272.6	263.1	228.2	205.4	222.6	264.1
July	232.5	279.5	209.9	259.6	261.8	259.2	217.6	194.1	213.7	252.3
August	229.7	191.4	208.5	208.1	259.7	258.5	216.4	191.8	213.5	260.2
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October	225.7	204.6	212.2	222.4	263.0	259.8	205.5	180.1	204.3	259.4
November	225.6	215.0	214.0	223.9	266.8	257.0	206.6	180.0	204.4	258.7
December	228.6	240.8	207.2	235.0	260.0	251.0	217.4	194.9	211.8	252.7
AVERAGE	228.0	231.8	215.8	245.1	267.9	258.9	209.4	180.7	207.1	260.1
January										

1957

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, FEBRUARY 1957 1/-

(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 227.9 for February, one half point above the revised estimate of 227.4 for January. Higher prices for livestock slightly offset lower prices for potatoes, dairy products, and poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Feb. 2/ 1957	Jan. 2/ 1957	Feb. 3/ 1956	1956 4/ 1955 5/	1954	
Prince Edward Island	205.6	232.0	170.6	240.8	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	214.5	217.7	189.6	207.2	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	223.3	244.9	197.0	235.0	226.0	211.8
Quebec	265.9	264.5	253.3	257.6	261.7	264.3
Ontario	260.2	258.0	237.7	251.0	249.2	252.8
Manitoba	209.7	209.5	220.0	217.4	222.5	227.5
Saskatchewan	181.7	180.7	199.5	194.9	198.8	208.7
Alberta	209.1	207.3	209.0	211.9	219.2	232.4
British Columbia	260.1	260.4	243.7	252.4	248.3	249.6
CANADA 1/	227.9	227.4	222.2	228.3	230.6	236.8

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat, for the period August to December inclusive.

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Prepared in Farm Finance Section, AGRICULTURE DIVISION.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1955 to date the initial prices to western producers for wheat at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern. Since the first of August 1956, initial producer prices at the Lakehead for oats have been on the basis of 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W., and for barley 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced interim payment of 10 cents per bushel on the 1955 crop of wheat. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	230.9	201.2	217.1	201.5	262.7	254.3	222.8	194.2	219.2	254.4
August	230.3	169.4	189.1	180.8	259.3	250.4	224.3	204.6	221.9	244.2
September	224.7	150.6	186.4	176.4	250.4	244.3	221.5	201.0	215.0	242.2
October	224.2	155.8	185.1	186.4	250.2	243.0	219.7	202.1	212.7	245.1
November	223.6	159.9	185.5	184.0	252.6	240.8	220.2	202.0	211.2	243.6
December	230.6	220.6	230.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	222.5	198.8	219.2	248.3
AVERAGE	222.0	168.3	185.0	198.2	252.3	238.8	218.3	200.2	207.2	243.9
January	222.2	170.6	189.6	197.0	253.3	237.7	220.0	199.5	209.0	243.7
February	223.9	183.9	193.1	209.1	249.4	238.7	219.7	199.6	211.4	242.5
March	224.4	230.8	198.2	229.1	250.0	240.0	219.5	199.8	210.8	244.2
April	228.9	320.0	213.2	269.1	254.8	242.2	222.8	200.5	214.2	245.7
May	236.9	312.2	222.0	289.7	264.0	256.0	224.9	204.3	220.2	250.4
June	243.1	424.4	227.0	312.8	269.7	263.1	228.2	205.4	222.7	263.5
July	232.1	279.5	209.9	259.6	258.9	259.2	217.6	194.1	213.9	251.6
August	229.3	191.4	208.5	208.1	256.8	258.5	216.4	191.8	213.7	259.6
September	227.5	189.3	213.3	201.3	258.0	261.1	209.0	184.0	210.4	266.5
October	225.5	204.6	212.2	222.4	260.0	259.8	205.5	180.1	204.8	258.8
November	225.3	215.0	214.0	223.9	262.8	257.0	206.6	180.0	204.9	258.1
December	228.2	240.8	207.2	235.0	257.6	251.0	217.4	194.9	211.9	252.4
AVERAGE	227.4	232.0	217.7	244.9	264.5	258.0	209.5	180.7	207.3	260.4
January	227.9	205.6	214.5	233.3	265.9	260.2	209.7	181.7	203.1	263.1
February										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, MARCH 1957 1/- (1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for March is estimated at 224.4. This is 3.2 points below the revised estimate of 227.6 for February. Prices were lower for livestock, dairy products and potatoes, but practically unchanged for grains, poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Mar. 2/ 1957	Feb. 2/ 1957	Mar. 3/ 1956	1956 4/ 1955 5/ 1954		
Prince Edward Island	208.0	205.7	183.9	240.8	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	214.4	214.5	193.1	207.2	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	221.0	223.3	209.1	235.0	226.0	211.8
Quebec	261.8	265.6	249.4	257.6	261.7	264.3
Ontario	253.3	259.3	238.7	250.9	249.2	252.8
Manitoba	209.3	209.7	219.7	217.4	222.5	227.5
Saskatchewan	181.2	181.8	199.6	194.9	198.8	208.7
Alberta	205.5	209.1	211.4	211.9	219.2	232.4
British Columbia	257.4	259.3	242.5	252.4	248.3	249.6
CANADA 1/	224.4	227.6	222.9	228.3	230.6	236.8

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
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Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
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1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	135.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	230.9	201.2	217.1	201.5	262.7	254.3	222.8	194.2	219.2	254.4
August	230.3	169.4	189.1	180.8	259.3	250.4	224.3	204.6	221.9	244.2
September	224.7	150.6	186.4	176.4	250.4	244.3	221.5	201.0	215.0	242.2
October	224.2	155.8	185.1	186.4	250.2	243.0	219.7	202.1	212.7	245.1
November	223.6	159.9	185.5	184.0	252.6	240.8	220.2	202.0	211.2	243.6
December	230.6	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	232.5	198.8	219.2	248.3
AVERAGE	222.0	168.3	185.0	198.2	252.3	238.8	218.3	200.2	207.2	243.9
January	222.2	170.6	189.6	197.0	253.5	237.7	220.0	199.5	209.0	243.7
February	222.9	183.9	193.1	209.1	249.4	238.7	219.7	199.6	211.4	242.5
March	224.4	230.8	196.2	229.1	250.0	240.0	219.5	199.8	210.8	244.2
April	228.9	320.0	213.2	269.1	254.8	242.2	222.8	200.5	214.2	245.7
May	236.9	312.2	222.0	289.7	264.0	256.0	224.9	204.3	220.2	250.4
June	243.1	424.4	227.0	312.8	269.7	263.1	228.2	205.4	222.7	263.5
July	232.1	279.5	209.9	259.6	258.9	259.2	217.6	194.1	213.9	251.6
August	229.3	191.4	208.5	208.1	256.8	258.5	216.4	191.8	213.7	259.6
September	227.5	189.3	213.2	201.3	258.0	261.1	209.0	184.0	210.4	266.5
October	225.3	204.6	212.2	222.4	260.0	259.2	205.5	180.1	204.8	258.8
November	225.1	215.0	214.0	223.9	263.8	256.3	206.6	180.0	204.9	258.1
December	228.3	240.8	207.2	235.0	257.6	250.9	217.4	194.9	211.9	253.4
AVERAGE	227.2	232.0	217.7	244.9	264.5	257.4	209.5	180.7	207.3	260.4
January	227.6	205.7	214.5	223.3	265.6	259.3	209.7	181.8	209.1	259.3
February	234.4	208.0	214.4	221.0	261.8	253.3	209.3	181.2	205.5	257.4
March										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, APRIL 1957 ^{1/-} (1935-39 = 100)

A preliminary estimate places the index of farm prices of agricultural products for April at 223.7 less than one point below the revised estimate of 224.5 for March. For Canada as a whole, no significant change was recorded for the average prices of commodities considered in the index.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Apr. ^{2/} 1957	Mar. ^{2/} 1957	Apr. ^{3/} 1956	1956 ^{4/}	1955 ^{5/}	1954
Prince Edward Island	205.1	208.3	230.8	240.8	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	199.2	214.4	198.2	207.2	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	240.8	220.9	229.1	235.0	226.0	211.8
Quebec	257.5	261.8	250.0	257.6	261.7	264.3
Ontario	252.9	253.6	240.0	250.9	249.2	252.8
Manitoba	208.3	209.2	219.5	217.4	222.5	227.5
Saskatchewan	181.3	181.2	199.8	194.9	198.8	208.7
Alberta	206.4	205.6	210.8	211.9	219.2	232.4
British Columbia	251.8	257.5	244.2	252.4	248.3	249.6
CANADA ^{1/}	223.7	224.5	224.4	228.3	230.6	236.8

^{1/} Excludes Newfoundland.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	230.6	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	222.5	198.8	219.2	248.3
January	222.0	168.3	185.0	198.2	252.3	238.8	218.3	200.2	207.2	243.9
February	222.2	170.6	189.6	197.0	253.3	237.7	220.0	199.5	209.0	243.7
March	222.9	183.9	193.1	209.1	249.4	238.7	219.7	199.6	211.4	242.5
April	224.4	230.8	198.2	229.1	250.0	240.0	219.5	199.8	210.8	244.2
May	228.9	320.0	213.2	269.1	254.8	242.2	222.8	200.5	214.2	245.7
June	236.9	312.2	222.0	289.7	264.0	256.0	224.9	204.3	220.2	250.4
July	243.1	424.4	227.0	312.8	269.7	263.1	228.2	205.4	222.7	263.5
August	232.1	279.5	209.9	259.6	258.9	259.2	217.6	194.1	213.9	251.6
September	229.3	191.4	208.5	208.1	256.8	258.5	216.4	191.8	213.7	259.6
October	227.5	189.3	213.3	201.3	258.0	261.1	209.0	184.0	210.4	266.5
November	225.3	204.6	212.2	222.4	260.0	259.2	205.5	180.1	204.8	258.8
December	225.1	215.0	214.0	223.9	263.8	256.3	206.6	180.0	204.9	258.1
AVERAGE	228.3	240.8	207.2	235.0	257.6	250.9	217.4	194.9	211.9	252.4
January	227.2	232.0	217.7	244.9	264.5	257.4	209.5	180.7	207.3	260.4
February	227.6	205.7	214.5	223.3	265.6	259.3	209.7	181.8	209.1	259.3
March	224.5	208.3	214.4	220.9	261.8	253.6	209.2	181.2	205.6	257.5
April	223.7	205.1	199.2	240.8	257.5	252.9	208.3	181.3	206.4	251.8

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, MAY 1957 1/-
(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for May 1957 is estimated at 224.0, only slightly below the revised figure of 224.2 for April. Lower prices for dairy products and potatoes were almost entirely offset by somewhat higher prices for livestock. The index has been revised to include the recently announced final payment of 11.9 cents per bushel on the 1955 wheat crop.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	May 2/ 1957	Apr. 2/ 1957	May 1956	1956 3/ 1955	1955	1954
Prince Edward Island	205.5	205.2	320.0	240.8	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	214.4	203.2	213.2	207.2	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	229.5	241.1	269.1	235.0	226.0	211.8
Quebec	258.1	258.7	254.8	257.6	261.7	264.3
Ontario	252.3	253.8	242.2	250.9	249.2	252.8
Manitoba	209.2	208.3	229.5	221.6	225.6	227.5
Saskatchewan	182.4	181.4	211.7	201.5	203.5	208.7
Alberta	207.0	206.4	224.0	217.6	223.2	232.4
British Columbia	248.4	251.6	246.1	252.6	248.4	249.6
CANADA 1/	224.0	224.2	233.7	231.2	232.7	236.8

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1956, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1956 are final prices. Since August 1, 1956, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1956 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1956 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William-Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of 11.9 cents per bushel on the 1955 crop of wheat. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed based weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.4
1956	226.9	168.3	185.0	198.2	252.3	238.8	225.7	211.5	216.9	244.3
January	227.1	170.6	189.6	197.0	253.3	237.7	227.4	210.7	218.8	244.1
February	227.8	183.9	193.1	209.1	249.4	238.7	227.0	210.8	221.1	242.9
March	229.3	230.8	198.2	229.1	250.0	240.0	226.9	211.0	220.6	244.6
April	233.7	320.0	213.2	269.1	254.8	242.2	229.5	211.7	224.0	246.1
May	241.8	312.2	222.0	289.7	264.0	256.0	232.2	215.5	230.0	250.8
June	247.9	424.4	227.0	312.8	269.7	263.1	235.6	216.7	232.5	263.8
July	232.1	279.5	209.9	259.6	258.9	259.2	217.6	194.1	213.9	251.6
August	229.3	191.4	208.5	208.1	256.8	258.5	216.4	191.8	213.7	259.6
September	227.5	189.3	213.3	201.3	258.0	261.1	209.0	184.0	210.4	266.5
October	225.3	204.6	212.2	222.4	260.0	259.2	205.5	180.1	204.8	258.8
November	225.1	215.0	214.0	223.9	263.8	256.3	206.6	180.0	204.9	258.1
December	231.2	240.8	207.2	235.0	257.6	250.9	221.6	201.5	217.6	252.6
AVERAGE	227.2	232.0	217.7	244.9	264.5	257.4	209.5	180.7	207.3	260.4
1957	227.6	205.7	214.5	223.3	265.6	259.3	209.7	181.8	209.1	259.3
January	224.5	208.3	214.4	220.9	261.8	253.6	209.2	181.2	205.6	257.5
February	224.2	205.2	203.2	241.1	258.7	253.8	208.3	181.4	206.4	251.6
March	224.0	205.5	214.4	229.5	258.1	252.3	209.2	182.4	207.0	248.4
April										
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1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, JUNE 1957 ^{1/}
(1935-39 = 100)

A preliminary estimate places the index of farm prices of agricultural products at 226.3 for the month of June, 2.3 points above the estimate of 224.0 for May. This gain is entirely attributable to higher prices for livestock which more than offset lower prices for dairy products, potatoes, and poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	June ^{2/} 1957	May ^{2/} 1957	June 1956	1956 ^{3/}	1955	1954
Prince Edward Island	192.6	204.4	311.2	239.9	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	212.4	214.0	222.0	207.2	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	208.7	229.3	289.7	235.0	226.0	211.8
Quebec	261.7	258.0	264.0	257.6	261.7	264.3
Ontario	254.2	252.6	255.6	250.6	249.2	252.8
Manitoba	214.6	209.2	232.2	221.6	225.6	227.5
Saskatchewan	184.7	182.3	215.5	201.5	203.5	208.7
Alberta	211.5	207.0	230.0	217.6	223.2	232.4
British Columbia	250.6	248.7	250.8	252.6	248.4	249.6
CANADA ^{1/}	226.3	224.0	241.6	231.0	232.7	236.8

^{1/} Excludes Newfoundland.

^{2/} Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

^{3/} For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1956 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William-Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of 11.9 cents per bushel on the 1955 crop of wheat. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index the fixed based weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/
(1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.4
1956	226.8	167.4	185.0	198.2	252.3	238.8	225.7	211.5	216.9	244.3
January	227.1	169.7	189.6	197.0	253.3	237.7	227.4	210.7	218.8	244.1
February	227.8	182.9	193.1	209.1	249.4	238.7	227.0	210.8	221.1	242.9
March	229.3	229.9	198.2	229.1	250.0	240.0	226.9	211.0	220.6	244.6
April	233.7	319.1	213.2	269.1	254.8	242.2	229.5	211.7	224.0	246.1
May	241.6	311.2	222.0	289.7	264.0	255.6	232.2	215.5	230.0	250.8
June	247.8	423.5	227.0	312.8	269.7	262.6	235.6	216.7	232.5	263.8
July	231.8	278.5	209.9	259.6	258.9	258.1	217.6	194.1	213.9	251.6
August	229.1	190.4	208.5	208.1	256.8	257.8	216.4	191.8	213.7	259.6
September	227.3	188.4	213.3	201.3	258.0	260.3	209.0	184.0	210.4	266.5
October	225.2	203.6	212.2	222.4	260.0	258.9	205.5	180.1	204.8	258.8
November	231.0	214.0	214.0	223.9	263.8	256.0	206.6	180.0	204.9	258.1
December	227.1	239.9	207.2	235.0	257.6	250.6	221.6	201.5	217.6	252.6
AVERAGE	227.1	231.0	217.7	244.9	264.5	257.0	209.5	180.7	207.3	260.4
1957	227.5	204.7	214.5	223.3	265.6	259.0	209.7	181.8	209.1	259.3
January	224.4	207.3	214.4	220.9	261.8	253.2	209.2	181.2	205.6	257.5
February	224.0	204.2	214.1	224.3	258.7	253.5	208.3	181.4	206.4	251.6
March	224.0	204.4	214.0	224.3	258.0	252.6	209.2	182.3	207.0	248.7
April	224.0	204.4	214.0	224.3	258.0	252.6	209.2	182.3	207.0	248.7
May	224.0	204.4	214.0	224.3	258.0	252.6	209.2	182.3	207.0	248.7
June	226.3	192.6	212.4	208.7	261.7	254.2	214.6	184.7	211.5	250.6

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, JULY 1957 1/
(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products continued to move upward during the month of July when it reached 229.4. This is 3.5 points above the revised estimate of 225.9 for June and results from higher prices for livestock, dairy products, potatoes, and poultry and eggs. Only prices for some of the grains displayed any tendency to decline.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	July 2/ 1957	June 2/ 1957	July 1956	1956 3/ 1955	1955	1954
Prince Edward Island	182.1	192.7	423.5	239.9	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	209.2	212.6	227.0	207.2	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	214.0	208.7	312.8	235.0	226.0	211.8
Quebec	266.4	262.3	269.7	257.6	261.7	264.3
Ontario	263.3	253.5	262.6	250.6	249.2	252.8
Manitoba	211.0	211.8	235.6	221.6	225.6	227.5
Saskatchewan	184.5	184.7	216.7	201.5	203.5	208.7
Alberta	213.0	211.6	232.5	217.6	223.2	232.4
British Columbia	251.3	250.6	263.8	252.6	248.4	249.6
CANADA 1/	229.4	225.9	247.8	231.0	232.7	236.8

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Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	186.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
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1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
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1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.4
1956	226.8	167.4	185.0	198.2	252.3	238.8	225.7	211.5	216.9	244.3
January	227.1	169.7	189.6	197.0	253.3	237.7	227.4	210.7	218.8	244.1
February	227.8	182.9	193.1	209.1	249.4	238.7	227.0	210.8	221.1	242.9
March	229.3	229.9	198.2	229.1	250.0	240.0	225.9	211.0	220.6	244.6
April	233.7	319.1	213.2	269.1	254.8	242.2	229.5	211.7	224.0	246.1
May	241.6	311.2	222.0	289.7	264.0	255.6	232.2	215.5	230.0	250.8
June	247.8	423.9	227.0	312.8	269.7	262.6	235.6	216.7	232.5	263.8
July	231.8	278.5	209.9	259.6	258.9	258.1	217.6	194.1	213.9	251.6
August	229.1	190.4	208.5	208.1	256.8	257.8	216.4	191.8	213.7	259.6
September	227.3	188.4	213.3	201.3	258.0	260.3	209.0	184.0	210.4	266.5
October	225.2	203.6	212.2	222.4	260.0	258.9	205.5	180.1	204.8	258.8
November	225.0	214.0	214.0	223.9	263.8	256.0	206.6	180.0	204.9	258.1
December	231.0	239.9	207.2	235.0	257.6	250.6	221.6	201.5	217.6	252.6
AVERAGE	227.1	231.0	217.7	244.9	264.5	257.0	209.5	180.7	207.3	260.4
1957	227.5	204.7	214.5	223.3	265.6	259.0	209.7	181.8	209.1	259.3
January	224.4	207.3	214.4	220.9	261.8	253.2	209.2	181.2	205.6	257.5
February	224.0	204.2	214.1	224.3	258.7	253.5	208.3	181.4	206.4	251.6
March	224.0	204.2	214.1	224.3	258.7	253.5	208.3	181.4	206.4	251.6
April	224.0	204.2	214.1	224.3	258.7	253.5	208.3	181.4	206.4	251.6
May	224.0	204.4	214.0	229.3	258.0	252.6	209.2	182.3	207.0	248.7
June	225.9	192.7	212.6	208.7	262.3	253.5	211.8	184.7	211.6	250.6
July	229.4	182.1	209.2	214.0	266.4	263.3	211.0	184.5	213.0	251.3

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The index numbers of farm prices of agricultural products moved fractionally higher in August to 230.3. This compares with the revised estimate of 229.8 for a month earlier and 231.9 for August 1956. Between July and August, higher prices for dairy products and poultry and eggs were partially offset by lower prices for potatoes; prices for grains and livestock were virtually unchanged. Compared with a year ago, present higher prices for livestock and dairy products were slightly more than offset by lower prices for grains, potatoes and poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Aug. 2/ 1957	July 2/ 1957	Aug. 2/ 1956	1956 2/ 1957	1955	1954
Prince Edward Island	209.8	182.0	278.5	239.9	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	211.4	213.4	209.9	208.7	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	222.6	214.0	259.8	235.1	226.0	211.8
Quebec	268.5	268.5	258.9	257.7	261.7	264.3
Ontario	259.3	262.4	258.1	250.6	249.2	252.8
Manitoba	213.1	210.3	217.6	221.6	225.6	227.5
Saskatchewan	185.8	184.5	194.1	201.5	203.5	208.7
Alberta	214.4	213.2	213.9	217.6	223.2	232.4
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CANADA 1/	230.3	229.8	231.9	231.3	232.7	236.8

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1956 to July 1957 the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur were on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. Commencing in August 1957 the initial price of No. 2 C.W. oats was reduced to 60 cents per bushel; initial prices for wheat and barley remained unchanged. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
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1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	231.9	278.5	209.9	259.8	258.9	258.1	217.6	194.1	213.9	253.8
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The index numbers of farm prices of agricultural products moved down slightly in September to 228.3 points. This compares with the revised estimate of 230.2 points for August and 229.7 for September 1956. The downward movement in the price index between August and September can be attributed to lower prices received for livestock and potatoes which more than offset the effects of slightly higher prices received for grains, dairy products and poultry products. The decline in the September index compared with a year ago can be attributed to lower prices received for grains, poultry products and potatoes which more than offset the effects of higher prices received for livestock and dairy products.

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	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Sept. 2/ 1957	Aug. 2/ 1957	Sept. 2/ 1956	1956 3/ 1955	1955	1954
Prince Edward Island	189.5	209.7	190.4	239.9	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	205.3	211.7	213.1	208.7	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	212.6	222.4	208.2	235.1	226.0	211.8
Quebec	264.1	268.1	257.3	257.7	261.7	264.3
Ontario	256.0	259.0	257.8	250.6	249.2	252.8
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1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
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November	225.6	214.0	218.6	224.1	264.3	256.0	206.6	180.0	204.9	268.9
December	231.3	239.9	208.7	235.1	257.7	250.6	221.6	201.5	217.6	256.7
AVERAGE	227.7	231.0	222.3	245.0	265.0	257.0	209.5	180.7	207.3	271.1
January	227.7	204.7	219.1	223.5	266.0	259.0	209.7	181.8	209.1	270.1
February	228.1	207.3	218.8	221.1	262.3	253.2	209.2	181.2	205.6	268.2
March	225.0	204.2	218.7	224.4	259.2	253.5	208.3	181.4	206.4	262.5
April	224.6	204.4	218.4	229.5	258.4	252.6	209.2	182.3	207.0	259.5
May	224.7	192.7	217.2	208.6	262.3	253.5	211.8	184.8	211.6	260.6
June	226.5	182.0	213.4	214.0	268.5	262.4	211.0	184.5	213.2	259.8
July	229.9	209.7	211.7	222.4	268.1	259.0	214.0	185.8	214.4	263.1
August	230.2	189.5	205.3	212.6	264.1	256.0	211.8	188.5	211.8	266.2
September	223.3									

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, OCTOBER 1957 1/4
(1935-39 = 100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for October, estimated at 222.5, is 5.8 points below the September estimate of 228.3. This decline can be attributed entirely to lower prices for livestock, particularly hogs, which far more than offset higher prices for dairy products, and poultry and eggs. Compared with October 1956, the current index is down by 5.4 points. In this instance, lower prices for livestock, potatoes, and poultry and eggs far outweighed higher prices for dairy products.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Oct. 2/ 1957	Sept. 2/ 1957	Oct. 2/ 1956	1956 3/ 1957	1955	1954
Prince Edward Island	180.7	189.4	188.4	239.9	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	206.6	205.6	217.9	208.7	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	207.7	212.8	201.4	235.1	226.0	211.8
Quebec	257.7	264.0	258.4	257.7	261.7	264.3
Ontario	247.7	256.1	260.3	250.6	249.2	252.8
Manitoba	208.0	211.8	209.0	221.6	225.6	227.5
Saskatchewan	185.7	188.4	184.0	201.5	203.5	208.7
Alberta	205.5	211.9	210.4	217.6	223.2	232.4
British Columbia	260.8	265.6	277.3	256.7	248.5	249.6
CANADA 1/	222.5	228.3	227.9	231.3	232.7	236.8

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1956, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1956 are final prices. Since August 1, 1956, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1956 and 1957 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1956 to July 1957 the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur were on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. Commencing in August 1957 the initial price of No. 2 C.W. oats was reduced to 60 cents per bushel; initial prices for wheat and barley remained unchanged. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of 11.9 cents per bushel on the 1955 crop of wheat. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.1	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.4	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.4	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	303.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	231.9	278.5	209.9	259.8	253.9	250.1	217.6	194.1	213.9	253.8
August	229.7	190.4	213.1	208.2	257.3	257.8	216.4	191.8	213.7	270.4
September	227.9	188.4	217.9	201.4	258.4	260.3	209.0	184.0	210.4	277.3
October	225.8	203.6	216.8	222.5	260.5	258.9	205.5	180.1	204.8	269.5
November	225.6	214.0	218.6	224.1	264.3	256.0	206.6	180.0	204.9	268.9
December	231.3	239.9	208.7	235.1	257.7	250.6	221.6	201.5	217.6	256.7
AVERAGE	227.7	231.0	222.3	245.0	265.0	257.0	209.5	180.7	207.3	271.1
January	228.1	204.7	219.1	223.5	266.0	259.0	209.7	181.8	209.1	270.1
February	225.0	207.3	218.8	221.1	262.3	253.2	209.2	181.2	205.6	268.2
March	224.6	204.2	218.7	224.4	259.2	253.5	208.3	181.4	206.4	262.5
April	224.7	204.4	218.4	229.5	258.4	252.6	209.2	182.3	207.0	259.5
May	226.5	192.7	217.2	208.6	262.8	253.5	211.8	184.8	211.6	260.6
June	229.9	182.0	213.4	214.0	268.5	262.4	211.0	184.5	213.2	259.8
July	230.2	209.7	211.7	222.4	268.1	259.0	214.0	186.0	214.4	263.1
August	228.3	189.4	205.6	212.8	264.0	256.1	211.8	188.4	211.9	265.6
September	222.5	180.7	206.6	207.7	257.7	247.7	208.0	185.7	205.5	260.8
October										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, NOVEMBER 1957 1/- (1935-39=100)

A preliminary estimate places the index of farm prices at 219.9 for November, about 3 points below the revised estimate of 223.0 for October. Lower prices for livestock, grains and poultry and eggs account largely for this decline. Compared with November 1956, the current index is down by nearly 6 points as a result of reduced prices for grains, livestock and potatoes.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Nov. 2/ 1957	Oct. 2/ 1957	Nov. 2/ 1956	1956 3/	1955	1954
Prince Edward Island	178.2	180.8	203.6	239.9	220.6	196.1
Nova Scotia	204.4	205.7	216.8	208.7	220.0	230.2
New Brunswick	210.9	207.8	222.5	235.1	226.0	211.8
Quebec	253.5	259.5	260.5	257.7	261.7	264.3
Ontario	247.9	248.6	258.9	250.6	249.2	252.8
Manitoba	203.8	208.0	205.5	221.6	225.6	227.5
Saskatchewan	182.7	185.8	180.1	201.5	203.5	208.7
Alberta	199.7	205.6	204.8	217.6	223.2	232.4
British Columbia	258.5	261.1	269.5	256.7	248.5	249.6
CANADA 1/	219.9	223.0	225.8	231.3	232.7	236.8

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1956, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1956 are final prices. Since August 1, 1956, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1956 and 1957 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1956 to July 1957 the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur were on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. Commencing in August 1957 the initial price of No. 2 C.W. oats was reduced to 60 cents per bushel; initial prices for wheat and barley remained unchanged. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of 11.9 cents per bushel on the 1955 crop of wheat. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	203.5	223.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	231.9	278.5	209.9	259.8	258.9	258.1	217.6	194.1	213.9	253.8
August	229.7	190.4	213.1	208.2	257.3	257.8	216.4	191.8	213.7	270.4
September	227.9	188.4	217.9	201.4	258.4	260.3	209.0	184.0	210.4	277.3
October	225.8	203.6	216.8	222.5	260.5	258.9	205.5	180.1	204.8	269.5
November	225.6	214.0	218.6	224.1	264.3	256.0	206.6	180.0	204.9	268.9
December	231.3	239.9	208.7	235.1	257.7	250.6	221.6	201.5	217.6	256.7
AVERAGE	227.7	231.0	222.3	245.0	265.0	257.0	209.5	180.7	207.3	271.1
1957	228.1	204.7	219.1	223.5	266.0	259.0	209.7	181.8	209.1	270.1
January	225.0	207.3	218.8	221.1	262.3	253.2	209.2	181.2	205.6	268.2
February	224.6	204.2	218.7	224.4	259.2	253.5	208.3	181.4	206.4	262.5
March	224.7	204.4	218.4	229.5	258.4	252.6	209.2	182.3	207.0	259.5
April	226.5	192.7	217.2	208.6	262.8	253.5	211.8	184.8	211.6	260.6
May	229.9	182.0	213.4	214.0	268.5	262.4	211.0	184.5	213.2	259.8
June	230.2	209.7	211.7	222.4	268.1	259.0	214.0	186.0	214.4	263.1
July	228.3	189.4	205.6	212.8	264.0	256.1	211.8	188.4	211.9	265.6
August	223.0	180.8	205.7	207.8	259.5	248.6	208.0	185.8	205.6	261.1
September	219.9	178.2	204.4	210.9	253.5	247.9	203.8	182.7	199.7	258.5
October										
November										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, DECEMBER 1957 1/- (1935-39=100)

The downward movement of the index of farm prices of agricultural products, in evidence since last August, was reversed in December. From a revised estimate of 219.7 for November, it moved up to 224.9 a month later. Higher prices for certain grains, livestock, dairy products and potatoes in some provinces more than offset lower prices for eggs. Compared with December 1956, the current index is lower by only one point; lower prices for livestock and potatoes were nearly offset by higher prices for grains, dairy products and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Dec. 2/ 1957	Nov. 2/ 1957	Dec. 2/ 1956	1957 2/ 1956 3/	1956 3/ 1955	1955
Prince Edward Island	179.9	178.4	214.0	197.0	239.9	220.6
Nova Scotia	205.1	204.1	218.6	213.3	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	212.7	211.1	224.1	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	263.9	253.7	266.2	263.8	258.7	261.7
Ontario	251.9	247.2	256.0	254.5	250.6	249.2
Manitoba	209.4	204.1	206.6	209.7	221.6	225.6
Saskatchewan	187.8	182.7	180.0	184.0	201.5	203.5
Alberta	204.7	199.7	204.9	208.0	217.6	223.2
British Columbia	259.4	258.2	268.9	263.3	256.7	248.5
CANADA 1/	224.9	219.7	225.9	226.2	231.4	232.7

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat.....	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats.....	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley.....	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1956 to July 1957 the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur were on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. Commencing in August 1957 the initial price of No. 2 C.W. oats was reduced to 60 cents per bushel; initial prices for wheat and barley remained unchanged. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payment of 11.9 cents per bushel on the 1955 crop of wheat. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
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1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	232.1	278.5	209.9	259.8	260.8	258.1	217.6	194.1	213.9	253.8
August	229.9	190.4	213.1	208.2	259.2	257.8	216.4	191.8	213.7	270.4
September	228.2	188.4	217.9	201.4	260.3	260.3	209.0	184.0	210.4	277.3
October	226.0	203.6	216.8	222.5	262.4	258.9	205.5	180.1	204.8	269.5
November	225.9	214.0	218.6	224.1	266.2	256.0	206.6	180.0	204.9	268.9
December	231.4	239.9	208.7	235.1	258.7	250.6	221.6	201.5	217.6	256.7
AVERAGE	227.9	231.0	222.3	245.0	266.9	257.0	209.5	180.7	207.3	271.1
1957	227.9	204.7	219.1	223.5	267.9	259.0	209.7	181.8	209.1	270.1
January	228.3	207.3	218.8	221.1	264.2	253.2	209.2	181.2	205.6	268.2
February	225.2	204.2	218.7	224.4	261.1	253.5	208.3	181.4	206.4	262.5
March	224.8	204.4	218.4	229.5	260.3	252.6	209.2	182.3	207.0	259.5
April	224.9	192.7	217.2	208.6	264.6	253.5	211.8	184.8	211.6	260.6
May	226.8	182.0	213.4	214.0	269.2	262.4	211.0	184.5	213.2	259.8
June	230.0	209.7	211.7	222.4	268.8	259.0	214.0	186.0	214.4	263.1
July	230.3	189.4	205.6	212.8	264.7	256.1	211.8	188.4	211.9	265.6
August	228.4	180.8	205.7	207.8	260.2	248.6	208.0	185.8	205.6	261.1
September	223.1	178.4	204.1	211.1	253.7	247.2	204.1	182.7	199.7	258.2
October	219.7	179.9	205.1	212.7	263.9	251.9	209.4	187.8	204.7	259.4
November	224.9	197.0	213.3	219.4	262.8	254.5	209.7	184.0	208.0	263.3
December	226.2									
AVERAGE										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, JANUARY 1958 1/-
 (1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products continued to advance during January when it reached 226.6, 1.7 points above the estimate of 224.9 for December. Contributing to this increase were higher prices for livestock, dairy products and potatoes which more than offset lower prices for some grains and poultry and eggs. The index for the period August 1956 to July 1957 has been revised to include the recently announced interim payment on the 1956 wheat crop.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
 (1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Jan. 2/ 1958	Dec. 2/ 1957	Jan. 3/ 1957	1957 4/ 1957	1956 5/ 1956	1955
Prince Edward Island	189.4	179.8	231.0	197.0	239.9	220.6
Nova Scotia	208.5	205.0	222.3	213.3	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	214.1	212.5	245.0	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	265.0	264.3	266.9	264.2	258.7	261.7
Ontario	252.1	252.3	257.0	254.5	250.6	249.2
Manitoba	212.5	209.4	216.2	213.6	224.4	225.6
Saskatchewan	188.3	186.9	191.0	189.9	205.8	203.5
Alberta	207.9	204.9	216.3	213.3	221.4	223.2
British Columbia	266.7	259.7	271.4	263.5	256.9	248.5
CANADA 1/	226.6	224.9	232.4	228.8	233.2	232.7

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat, for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1956, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1956 are final prices. From August 1, 1956 to July 31, 1957 western wheat prices were made up of initial and interim payments; since August 1, 1957 they have been initial prices only. Oats and barley prices for western Canada have been initial prices only for the period August 1, 1956 to date. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1956 and 1957 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat.....	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats.....	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley.....	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1956 to July 1957 the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur were on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. Commencing in August 1957 the initial price of No. 2 C.W. oats was reduced to 60 cents per bushel; initial prices for wheat and barley remained unchanged. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced interim payment of nearly 11 cents per bushel on the 1956 crop of wheat. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
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1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	236.6	278.5	209.9	259.8	260.8	258.1	224.4	204.4	222.8	254.1
September	234.4	190.4	213.1	208.2	259.2	257.8	223.1	202.1	222.6	270.7
October	232.6	188.4	217.9	201.4	260.3	260.3	215.7	194.3	219.3	277.6
November	230.5	203.6	216.8	222.5	262.4	258.9	212.3	190.4	213.8	269.9
December	230.3	214.0	218.6	224.1	266.2	256.0	213.4	190.3	213.8	269.2
AVERAGE	233.2	239.9	208.7	235.1	258.7	250.6	224.4	205.8	221.4	256.9
1957	232.4	231.0	222.3	245.0	266.9	257.0	216.2	191.0	216.3	271.4
January	232.8	204.7	219.1	223.5	267.9	259.0	216.5	192.2	218.0	270.4
February	229.7	207.3	218.8	221.1	264.2	253.2	216.0	191.5	214.5	268.5
March	229.3	204.2	218.7	224.4	261.1	253.5	215.0	191.7	215.3	263.1
April	229.3	204.4	218.4	229.5	260.3	252.6	216.0	192.6	216.0	255.7
May	231.2	192.7	217.2	208.6	264.6	253.5	218.6	195.1	220.5	260.8
June	234.5	182.0	213.4	214.0	269.2	262.4	217.7	194.8	222.1	260.8
July	230.4	209.7	211.7	222.4	268.8	259.0	214.0	186.0	214.4	263.9
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December	228.8	197.0	213.3	219.4	264.2	254.5	213.6	189.9	213.3	263.5
AVERAGE	226.6	189.4	208.5	214.1	265.0	252.1	212.5	188.3	207.9	266.7
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1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, FEBRUARY 1958 1/-
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products continued to move up during February when it reached 231.5. This represents a gain of 5.2 points over the revised estimate of 226.3 for January and an increase of 6.7 points over the estimate of 224.8 for December 1957. The substantial rise in the index between January and February is attributable for the most part to higher prices for live-stock and potatoes which far more than offset lower prices for dairy products and poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Feb. 2/ 1958	Jan. 2/ 1958	Feb. 3/ 1957	1957 4/ 1958	1956 5/ 1957	1955
Prince Edward Island	193.2	189.4	204.7	197.0	239.9	220.6
Nova Scotia	209.3	208.4	219.3	213.4	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	217.9	214.1	223.5	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	271.0	265.4	268.8	265.0	258.8	261.7
Ontario	258.6	251.6	258.8	254.6	250.5	249.2
Manitoba	217.6	212.6	216.3	213.5	224.6	225.6
Saskatchewan	191.6	188.2	192.1	189.9	205.8	203.5
Alberta	212.8	207.2	218.4	213.5	221.5	223.2
British Columbia	267.0	266.0	270.5	263.8	256.8	248.5
CANADA 1/	231.5	226.3	232.9	229.0	233.3	232.7

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial prices for oats and barley and initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

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5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices for oats and barley and initial price plus interim payment for wheat, for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat.....	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats.....	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley.....	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1956 to July 1957 the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur were on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. Commencing in August 1957 the initial price of No. 2 C.W. oats was reduced to 60 cents per bushel; initial prices for wheat and barley remained unchanged. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS^{1/} (1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P. E. I.	N. S.	N. B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	233.3	239.9	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	224.6	205.8	221.5	256.8
1957	230.6	209.7	211.7	222.4	269.9	259.1	214.0	186.0	214.8	263.9
August	228.7	189.4	205.6	212.7	266.4	256.3	211.7	188.4	212.3	266.3
September	223.3	180.6	205.8	207.8	260.9	248.5	208.0	185.8	206.0	261.9
October	220.2	178.4	204.2	210.8	258.8	247.1	204.0	182.7	199.2	258.9
November	224.8	179.8	205.0	212.5	264.8	252.3	209.4	186.9	204.2	259.7
December	229.0	197.0	213.4	219.4	265.0	254.6	213.5	189.9	213.5	263.8
AVERAGE	226.3	189.4	208.4	214.1	265.4	251.6	212.6	188.2	207.2	266.0
1958	231.5	193.2	209.3	217.9	271.0	258.6	217.6	191.6	212.8	267.0
January										
February										

^{1/} Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, MARCH 1958 1/- (1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products continued to move up during March when it reached 237.0. This represents a gain of 5.5 points over the revised estimate of 231.5 points for February 1958 and 7.2 points above the estimate of 229.8 points for March 1957. The substantial rise in the index between February and March is attributable largely to higher prices for livestock, poultry and eggs and potatoes.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Mar. 2/ 1958	Feb. 2/ 1958	Mar. 3/ 1957	1957 4/ 1958	1956 5/ 1957	1955
Prince Edward Island	276.7	193.1	207.4	197.0	239.9	220.6
Nova Scotia	223.8	209.4	218.8	213.4	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	262.1	217.8	221.1	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	275.4	271.3	264.6	265.0	258.8	261.7
Ontario	264.0	258.8	253.2	254.6	250.5	249.2
Manitoba	219.6	217.5	215.9	213.5	224.6	225.6
Saskatchewan	192.9	191.6	191.5	189.9	205.8	203.5
Alberta	216.3	212.8	214.9	213.5	221.5	223.2
British Columbia	270.7	266.5	268.5	263.7	256.8	248.5
CANADA 1/	237.0	231.5	229.8	229.0	233.3	232.7

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial prices for oats and barley and initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices for oats and barley and initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices for oats and barley and initial price plus interim payment for wheat, for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1956, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1956 are final prices. From August 1, 1956 to July 31, 1957 western wheat prices were made up of initial and interim payments; since August 1, 1957 they have been initial prices only. Oats and barley prices for western Canada have been initial prices only for the period August 1, 1956 to date. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1956 and 1957 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat.....	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats.....	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley.....	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1956 to July 1957 the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur were on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. Commencing in August 1957 the initial price of No. 2 C.W. oats was reduced to 60 cents per bushel; initial prices for wheat and barley remained unchanged. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced interim payment of nearly 11 cents per bushel on the 1956 crop of wheat. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/
(1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N. S.	N. B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	243.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	212.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	263.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	386.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	220.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	240.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	233.3	239.9	208.7	235.1	253.8	250.5	224.6	205.8	221.5	256.8
1957	230.6	209.7	211.7	222.4	269.9	259.1	214.0	186.0	214.8	263.7
August	228.7	189.4	205.6	212.7	266.4	256.3	211.7	188.4	212.3	266.1
September	223.3	180.6	205.8	207.8	260.9	213.5	208.0	185.8	206.0	261.7
October	220.2	178.4	204.2	210.8	258.8	247.1	204.0	182.7	199.2	258.7
November	224.8	179.8	205.0	212.5	264.8	252.3	209.4	186.9	204.2	259.5
December	229.0	197.0	213.4	219.4	265.0	254.6	213.5	189.9	213.5	263.7
AVERAGE	226.3	189.4	208.4	214.1	265.4	251.6	212.6	188.2	207.2	265.8
1958 January	231.5	193.1	209.4	217.8	271.3	258.8	217.5	191.6	212.8	266.5
February	237.0	276.7	223.8	262.1	275.4	264.0	219.6	192.9	216.3	270.7
March										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, APRIL 1958 1/- (1935-39=100)

A preliminary estimate places the index of farm prices of agricultural products at 240.7 for April. This represents a gain of 3.6 points over the revised estimate of 237.1 for March and is the fifth consecutive month the index has risen. At its present level, the index is more than 9 per cent above the 220.2 recorded in November. As between March and April, higher prices for live-stock and potatoes more than offset somewhat lower prices for poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Apr. 2/ 1958	Mar. 2/ 1958	Apr. 3/ 1957	1957 4/ 1957	1956 5/ 1956	1955
Prince Edward Island	246.5	276.7	204.2	197.0	239.9	220.6
Nova Scotia	224.7	223.6	218.4	213.4	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	267.7	262.0	224.4	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	278.4	274.5	261.8	265.0	258.8	261.7
Ontario	268.7	264.7	253.5	254.6	250.5	249.2
Manitoba	225.5	219.6	214.9	213.5	224.6	225.6
Saskatchewan	195.7	192.9	191.7	189.9	205.8	203.5
Alberta	220.2	216.3	215.8	213.5	221.5	223.2
British Columbia	278.9	271.2	262.9	263.7	256.8	248.5
CANADA 1/	240.7	237.1	229.5	229.0	233.3	232.7

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial prices for oats and barley and initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices for oats and barley and initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices for oats and barley and initial price plus interim payment for wheat, for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1956, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1956 are final prices. From August 1, 1956 to July 31, 1957 western wheat prices were made up of initial and interim payments; since August 1, 1957 they have been initial prices only. Oats and barley prices for western Canada have been initial prices only for the period August 1, 1956 to date. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1956 and 1957 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

During the period August 1956 to July 1957 the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur were on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 65 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. Commencing in August 1957 the initial price of No. 2 C.W. oats was reduced to 60 cents per bushel; initial prices for wheat and barley remained unchanged. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced interim payment of nearly 11 cents per bushel on the 1956 crop of wheat. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/ (1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N. S.	N. B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
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1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
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1956	233.3	239.9	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	224.6	205.8	221.5	256.8
1957	230.6	209.7	211.7	222.4	269.9	259.1	214.0	186.0	214.8	263.7
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December	229.0	197.0	213.4	219.4	265.0	254.6	213.5	189.9	213.5	263.7
AVERAGE	226.3	189.4	208.4	214.1	265.4	251.6	212.6	188.2	207.2	265.8
1958	231.5	193.1	209.4	217.8	271.3	258.8	217.5	191.6	212.8	266.5
January	237.1	276.7	223.6	262.0	274.5	264.7	219.6	192.9	216.3	271.2
February	237.1	276.7	223.6	262.0	274.5	264.7	219.6	192.9	216.3	271.2
March	240.7	246.5	224.7	267.7	278.4	268.7	225.5	195.7	220.2	278.9
April										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, MAY 1958 1/-
(1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products which has moved upward without interruption since last November, continued to gain during the month of May. Estimated at 244.1, the index for May is 3.5 points above the revised index of 240.6 for April and approximately 24 points above the November level of 220.2. As in almost all months since the rise began, the most important contribution to the increase between April and May was higher livestock prices. Slightly higher prices were recorded from some of the grains, but somewhat lower prices prevailed for dairy products, eggs and potatoes.

The index has been revised for the period August 1956 to July 1957 to include the final per bushel payments of 6.9 cents and 6.3 cents recently announced for the 1956 crops of wheat and barley respectively.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	May 2/ 1958	Apr. 2/ 1958	May 1957	1957 3/ 1957	1956	1955
Prince Edward Island	191.6	246.6	204.4	197.0	239.9	220.6
Nova Scotia	218.0	225.9	218.4	213.4	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	230.1	260.6	229.5	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	282.3	278.7	261.0	265.0	258.8	261.7
Ontario	275.8	268.6	252.7	254.6	250.5	249.2
Manitoba	229.6	225.5	221.7	216.9	227.0	225.6
Saskatchewan	198.6	195.7	199.4	193.9	208.5	203.5
Alberta	226.1	220.2	222.2	217.0	224.0	223.2
British Columbia	284.3	279.2	260.0	263.8	256.9	248.5
CANADA 1/	244.1	240.6	232.6	230.8	234.5	232.7

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1957, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1957 are final prices. Since August 1, 1957, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1957 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1957 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payments of 6.9 cents and 6.3 cents made on the 1956 crops of wheat and barley respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

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February	240.6	246.6	225.9	260.6	278.7	268.6	225.5	195.7	220.2	279.2
March	244.1	191.6	218.0	230.1	282.3	275.8	229.6	198.6	226.1	284.3
April										
May										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, JUNE 1958 1/-
(1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products, which moved upward without interruption, from November through May, declined slightly in June. Estimated at 242.7 points, the index for June was 2.0 points below the revised index for May of 244.7 points. The 1958 June estimate of 242.7 points was 8.2 points, or 3.5 per cent, higher than the 1957 June estimate of 234.5 points. The decline in the price index between May and June this year can be attributed almost entirely to lower prices for livestock. The June index numbers for other commodity groups were substantially the same as in May, except for eggs and poultry, which were higher. Price increases for eggs and poultry, between May and June, were largely of a seasonal nature.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	June 2/ 1958	May 2/ 1958	June 1957	1957 3/ 1957	1956	1955
Prince Edward Island	176.8	191.5	192.7	197.0	239.9	220.6
Nova Scotia	220.3	218.3	217.2	213.4	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	210.7	230.0	208.6	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	285.6	282.0	265.4	265.0	258.8	261.7
Ontario	276.8	277.9	253.7	255.4	250.5	249.2
Manitoba	228.4	229.5	224.3	216.9	227.0	225.6
Saskatchewan	196.9	198.6	201.9	193.9	208.5	203.5
Alberta	221.6	226.0	227.1	217.0	224.0	223.2
British Columbia	276.4	283.6	261.0	263.8	256.9	248.5
CANADA 1/	242.7	244.7	234.5	231.0	234.5	232.7

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1957 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payments of 6.9 cents and 6.3 cents made on the 1956 crops of wheat and barley respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
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1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
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1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.5	239.9	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	231.1	209.7	211.7	222.4	269.9	260.7	214.0	186.0	214.8	263.7
August	229.1	189.4	205.6	212.7	266.4	257.7	211.7	188.4	212.3	266.1
September	223.7	180.6	205.8	207.8	260.9	249.9	208.0	185.8	206.0	261.7
October	220.8	178.4	204.2	210.8	258.8	249.2	204.0	182.7	199.2	258.7
November	225.5	179.8	205.0	212.5	264.8	254.4	209.4	186.9	204.2	259.5
December	231.0	197.0	213.4	219.4	265.0	255.4	216.9	193.9	217.0	263.8
AVERAGE	227.0	189.4	208.4	214.1	265.4	253.7	212.6	188.2	207.2	265.8
1958	232.2	193.1	209.4	217.8	271.3	260.9	217.5	191.6	212.8	266.5
January	237.8	276.7	223.9	262.0	274.5	266.9	219.6	192.9	216.3	271.2
February	241.3	246.6	225.9	260.6	278.7	270.7	225.5	195.7	220.2	279.2
March	244.7	191.5	218.3	230.0	282.0	277.9	229.5	198.6	226.0	283.6
April	242.7	176.8	220.3	210.7	285.6	276.8	228.4	196.9	221.6	276.4
May										
June										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, JULY 1958 1/-
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The index of farm prices which turned downward in June after a steady rise over a period of six months, continued to decline in July. Estimated at 241.6 the July index was slightly more than one point below the estimate of 242.7 for June and about three points down from the high mark to date of 244.7 for May. The decline in the index between June and July is attributable almost entirely to lower prices for livestock. Some gain in prices was recorded for eggs & potatoes but they were not sufficient to offset the change in livestock prices.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	July <u>2/</u> 1958	June <u>2/</u> 1958	July 1957	1957 <u>3/</u>	1956	1955
Prince Edward Island	198.6	176.7	182.0	197.0	239.9	220.6
Nova Scotia	221.6	220.9	213.4	213.4	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	254.1	210.7	214.0	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	283.5	285.3	270.1	265.0	258.8	261.7
Ontario	273.7	276.8	263.7	255.4	250.5	249.2
Manitoba	226.0	228.4	223.4	216.9	227.0	225.6
Saskatchewan	194.6	197.0	201.7	193.9	208.5	203.5
Alberta	220.6	221.6	228.4	217.0	224.0	223.2
British Columbia	272.9	276.4	260.7	263.8	256.9	248.5
CANADA <u>1/</u>	241.6	242.7	238.1	231.0	234.5	232.7

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1957 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/

(1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
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1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
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1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.5	239.9	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	231.1	209.7	211.7	222.4	269.9	260.7	214.0	186.0	214.8	263.7
August	229.1	189.4	205.6	212.7	266.4	257.7	211.7	188.4	212.3	266.1
September	223.7	180.6	205.8	207.8	260.9	249.9	208.0	185.8	206.0	261.7
October	220.8	178.4	204.2	210.8	258.8	249.2	204.0	182.7	199.2	258.7
November	225.5	179.8	205.0	212.5	264.8	254.4	209.4	186.9	204.2	259.5
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AVERAGE	227.0	189.4	208.4	214.1	265.4	253.7	212.6	188.2	207.2	265.8
1958	227.0	193.1	209.4	217.8	271.3	260.9	217.5	191.6	212.8	266.5
January	232.2	276.7	223.9	262.0	274.5	266.9	219.6	192.9	216.3	271.2
February	237.8	246.6	225.9	260.6	278.7	270.7	225.5	195.7	220.2	279.2
March	241.3	191.5	218.3	230.0	282.0	277.9	229.5	198.6	226.0	283.6
April	244.7	176.7	220.9	210.7	285.3	276.8	228.4	197.0	221.6	276.4
May	242.7	198.6	221.6	254.1	283.5	273.7	226.0	194.6	220.6	272.9
June	241.6									
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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Aug. 2/ 1958	July 2/ 1958	Aug. 2/ 1957	1957 3/ 1957	1956	1955
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Nova Scotia	230.3	221.9	211.7	213.4	208.7	220.0
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1956	234.5	239.9	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	231.1	209.7	211.7	222.4	269.9	260.7	214.0	186.0	214.8	263.7
August	229.1	189.4	205.6	212.7	266.4	257.7	211.7	188.4	212.3	266.1
September	223.7	180.6	205.8	207.8	260.9	249.9	208.0	185.8	206.0	261.7
October	220.8	178.4	204.2	210.8	258.8	249.2	204.0	182.7	199.2	258.7
November	225.5	179.8	205.0	212.5	264.8	254.4	209.4	186.9	204.2	259.5
December	231.0	197.0	213.4	219.4	265.0	255.4	216.9	193.9	217.0	263.8
AVERAGE	227.0	189.4	208.4	214.1	265.4	253.7	212.6	188.2	207.2	265.8
1958	232.2	193.1	209.4	217.8	271.3	260.9	217.5	191.6	212.8	266.5
January	237.8	276.7	223.9	262.0	274.5	266.9	219.6	192.9	216.3	271.2
February	241.3	246.6	225.9	260.6	278.7	270.7	225.5	195.7	220.2	279.2
March	244.7	191.5	218.3	230.0	282.0	277.9	229.5	198.6	226.0	283.6
April	242.7	176.7	220.9	210.7	285.3	276.8	228.4	197.0	221.6	276.4
May	241.6	198.6	221.9	254.0	283.0	273.7	226.0	194.7	220.6	272.7
June	239.0	219.5	230.3	225.2	279.3	267.0	224.8	195.4	221.5	269.2
July										
August										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, SEPTEMBER 1958 1/- (1935-39=100)

The farm price index declined for the fourth consecutive month in September this year to 236.1 points, the lowest level since February. The September decline was largely seasonal in nature and can be attributed in the main to lower livestock prices, particularly hogs. The effects of lower livestock prices on the index was offset in part by higher prices for grains in the Prairie Provinces where current marketings are now reflecting the higher quality crops of the past two years.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Sept 2/ 1958	Aug 2/ 1958	Sept 2/ 1957	1957 3/ 1955	1956	1955
Prince Edward Island	191.0	219.2	189.0	196.6	240.1	220.6
Nova Scotia	214.9	228.2	203.3	212.6	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	217.1	224.7	212.5	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	272.4	280.5	267.3	265.5	258.8	261.7
Ontario	263.3	267.4	257.7	255.4	250.5	249.2
Manitoba	223.7	224.8	211.7	216.9	227.0	225.6
Saskatchewan	198.0	195.4	188.4	193.9	208.5	203.5
Alberta	222.0	221.5	212.3	217.0	224.0	223.2
British Columbia	252.5	251.9	248.0	257.3	256.9	248.5
CANADA 1/	236.1	238.5	228.4	230.8	234.6	232.7

/ Excludes Newfoundland.

/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1957, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1957 are final prices. Since August 1, 1957, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1957 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1957 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payments of 6.9 cents and 6.3 cents made on the 1956 crops of wheat and barley respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/
(1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	231.1	209.3	211.7	222.7	270.8	260.7	214.0	186.0	214.8	261.1
August	228.4	189.0	203.3	212.5	267.3	257.7	211.7	188.4	212.3	248.0
September	223.0	180.2	203.5	207.6	261.9	249.9	208.0	185.8	206.0	243.7
October	220.1	178.0	201.9	210.6	259.8	249.2	204.0	182.7	199.2	240.7
November	224.7	179.4	202.7	212.3	265.8	254.4	209.4	186.9	204.2	241.6
December	230.8	196.6	212.6	219.4	265.5	255.4	216.9	193.9	217.0	257.3
AVERAGE	226.2	189.0	206.1	213.9	266.4	253.7	212.6	188.2	207.2	247.8
1958	231.4	192.7	207.1	217.5	272.3	260.9	217.5	191.6	212.8	248.6
January	237.0	276.3	221.6	261.8	275.5	266.9	219.6	192.9	216.3	253.3
February	240.5	246.2	223.6	260.3	279.7	270.7	225.5	195.7	220.2	261.2
March	244.0	191.1	216.0	229.8	283.0	277.9	229.5	198.6	226.0	265.7
April	242.0	176.3	218.6	210.1	286.3	276.8	228.4	197.0	221.6	258.8
May	240.9	198.2	219.6	253.5	284.0	273.7	226.0	194.7	220.6	255.4
June	238.5	219.2	228.2	224.7	280.5	267.4	224.8	195.4	221.5	251.9
July	236.1	191.0	214.9	217.1	272.4	263.3	223.7	198.0	222.0	252.5
August										
September										

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, OCTOBER 1958 1/- (1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 236.5 for October and compares with 236.1 for the previous month. This represents the first month since last May that a decline has not been estimated for this index. While declines were registered for prices of potatoes and poultry products, they were slightly offset by higher prices for livestock and dairy products. Compared with October 1957, the present estimate is 13.5 points higher. In this case higher prices for grains, dairy products and particularly livestock far more than outweighed lower prices for poultry products and potatoes.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Oct 2/ 1958	Sept 2/ 1958	Oct 2/ 1957	1957 3/ 1956	1956	1955
Prince Edward Island	180.8	191.2	180.2	196.6	240.1	220.6
Nova Scotia	214.2	215.0	203.5	212.6	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	207.1	217.2	207.6	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	270.7	272.6	261.9	265.5	258.8	261.7
Ontario	263.7	262.8	249.9	255.4	250.5	249.2
Manitoba	222.2	223.7	208.0	216.9	227.0	225.6
Saskatchewan	198.8	198.1	185.8	193.9	208.5	203.5
Alberta	224.6	222.1	206.0	217.0	224.0	223.2
British Columbia	259.2	253.1	243.7	257.3	256.9	248.5
CANADA 1/	236.5	236.1	223.0	230.8	234.6	232.7

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1957, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1957 are final prices. Since August 1, 1957, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1957 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1957 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payments of 6.9 cents and 6.3 cents made on the 1956 crops of wheat and barley respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

(1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
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1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	231.1	209.3	211.7	222.7	270.8	260.7	214.0	186.0	214.8	261.1
August	228.4	189.8	203.3	212.5	267.3	257.7	211.7	188.4	212.3	248.0
September	223.0	180.2	203.5	207.6	261.9	249.9	208.0	185.8	206.0	243.7
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November	224.7	179.4	202.7	212.5	265.8	254.4	209.4	186.9	204.2	241.6
December	230.8	196.4	212.6	219.4	265.5	255.4	216.9	193.9	217.0	257.3
AVERAGE	236.2	189.0	206.1	213.9	266.4	253.7	212.6	188.2	207.2	247.8
1958	231.4	192.7	207.1	217.5	272.3	260.9	217.5	191.6	212.8	248.6
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March	244.0	191.1	216.0	229.8	283.0	277.9	229.5	198.6	226.0	265.7
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May	240.9	198.2	219.6	253.5	284.0	273.7	226.0	194.7	220.6	255.4
June	238.4	219.2	228.2	224.7	280.5	267.2	224.8	195.4	221.5	251.9
July	236.1	191.2	215.0	217.2	272.6	262.8	223.7	198.1	222.1	253.1
August	236.5	180.8	214.2	207.1	270.7	263.7	222.2	198.8	224.6	259.2

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, NOVEMBER 1958 1/- (1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada, estimated at 236.4 for November, was unchanged from the revised estimate for October. Although the prices for poultry & eggs declined between October & November, this reduction was offset by higher prices for dairy products & potatoes.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39 = 100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Nov 2/ 1958	Oct 2/ 1958	Nov 2/ 1957	1957 3/ 1956	1956	1955
Prince Edward Island ...	191.5	180.8	178.0	196.6	240.1	220.6
Nova Scotia	212.5	213.0	201.9	212.6	208.7	220.0
New Brunswick	213.8	207.3	210.6	219.4	235.1	226.0
Quebec	269.7	270.7	259.8	265.5	258.8	261.7
Ontario	261.7	263.3	249.2	255.4	250.5	249.2
Manitoba	224.4	222.3	204.0	216.9	227.0	225.6
Saskatchewan	199.9	198.9	182.7	193.9	208.5	203.5
Alberta	224.4	224.6	199.2	217.0	224.0	223.2
British Columbia	258.2	259.0	240.7	257.3	256.9	248.5
CANADA 1/	236.4	236.4	220.1	230.8	234.6	232.7

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
1938	105.0	92.4	101.4	97.4	107.0	104.0	104.9	107.6	105.6	100.1
1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
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1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
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1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
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1957	231.1	209.3	211.7	222.7	270.8	260.7	214.0	186.0	214.8	261.1
August	228.4	189.0	203.3	212.5	267.3	257.7	211.7	188.4	212.3	248.0
September	223.0	180.2	203.5	207.6	261.9	249.9	208.0	185.8	206.0	243.7
October	220.1	178.0	201.9	210.6	259.8	249.2	204.0	182.7	199.2	240.7
November	224.7	179.4	202.7	212.3	265.8	254.4	209.4	186.9	204.2	241.6
December	230.8	196.6	212.6	219.4	265.5	255.4	216.9	193.9	217.0	257.3
AVERAGE	226.2	189.0	206.1	213.9	266.4	253.7	212.6	188.2	207.2	247.8
1958	231.4	192.7	207.1	217.5	272.3	260.9	217.5	191.6	212.8	248.6
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March	244.0	191.1	216.0	229.8	283.0	277.9	229.5	198.6	226.0	265.7
April	242.0	176.3	218.6	210.1	286.3	276.8	228.4	197.0	221.6	258.8
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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, DECEMBER 1958 1/- (1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada was estimated at 239.3 points for December, 2.8 points higher than the November estimate. The rise in the index between November and December can be attributed largely to higher livestock prices and to a lesser extent to slightly higher prices for dairy products.

For the year 1958, the index number of farm prices of agricultural products was tentatively estimated at 237.4 points. This is the highest point the index has reached since 1953 when farm prices were declining following the Korean "incident".

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Dec 2/ 1958	Nov 2/ 1958	Dec 2/ 1957	1958 2/ 1957 3/ 1956		
Prince Edward Island	195.5	191.4	179.4	204.0	196.6	240.1
Nova Scotia	214.1	212.3	202.7	216.3	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	214.4	213.7	212.3	227.0	219.4	235.1
Quebec	272.9	269.2	265.8	276.1	265.5	258.8
Ontario	267.2	261.6	254.4	266.9	255.4	250.5
Manitoba	227.3	224.3	209.4	223.5	216.9	227.0
Saskatchewan	200.4	199.9	186.9	196.0	193.9	208.5
Alberta	225.1	224.4	204.2	220.2	217.0	224.0
British Columbia	265.0	262.8	241.6	257.5	257.3	256.9
CANADA 1/	239.3	236.5	224.7	237.4	230.8	234.6

- 1/ Excludes Newfoundland.
- 2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- 3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1957, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1957 are final prices. Since August 1, 1957, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments made on the 1957 crops of wheat, oats and barley will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1957 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payments of 6.9 cents and 6.3 cents made on the 1956 crops of wheat and barley respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1935	88.0	81.4	92.6	80.8	90.1	93.2	85.6	83.1	84.3	92.7
1936	96.9	118.0	103.5	110.2	98.6	98.8	94.0	93.4	93.8	100.4
1937	119.7	103.7	99.3	100.1	104.1	108.7	129.9	136.4	131.4	107.1
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1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
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1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
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1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
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1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	230.8	196.6	212.6	219.4	265.5	255.4	216.9	193.9	217.0	257.3
1958	226.2	189.0	206.1	213.9	266.4	253.7	212.6	188.2	207.2	247.8
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April	244.0	191.1	216.0	229.8	283.0	277.9	229.5	198.6	226.0	265.3
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June	240.9	198.2	219.6	253.5	284.0	273.7	226.0	194.7	220.6	256.0
July	238.5	219.2	228.2	224.7	280.5	267.2	224.8	195.4	221.5	253.7
August	236.2	191.2	215.0	217.2	272.6	262.8	223.7	198.1	222.1	255.8
September	236.5	180.8	213.0	207.3	270.7	263.3	222.3	198.9	224.6	261.7
October	236.5	191.4	212.3	213.7	269.2	261.6	224.3	199.9	224.4	262.8
November	239.3	195.5	214.1	214.4	272.9	267.2	227.3	200.4	225.1	265.0
December	237.4	204.0	216.3	227.0	276.1	266.9	223.5	196.0	220.2	257.5
AVERAGE										

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada ^{1/} is estimated at 241.7 for January, 3.1 points above the revised figure of 238.6 for December. Higher prices for livestock and potatoes more than offset lower prices for poultry and eggs.

The index has been revised for the period August 1957 to July 1958 to take into account the recently announced interim payment on the 1957 wheat crop.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Jan. ^{2/} 1959	Dec. ^{2/} 1958	Jan. ^{3/} 1958	1958 ^{4/}	1957 ^{5/}	1956
Prince Edward Island	191.4	195.3	188.7	203.8	196.4	240.1
Nova Scotia	220.5	214.2	206.1	216.3	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	213.0	214.1	213.6	226.8	219.4	235.1
Quebec	274.0	270.6	264.9	274.6	264.5	258.8
Ontario	271.3	265.9	253.8	266.8	255.4	250.5
Manitoba	231.5	227.0	218.6	227.0	219.4	227.0
Saskatchewan	202.8	200.3	197.6	201.4	197.8	208.5
Alberta	225.7	225.1	215.2	224.8	220.3	224.0
British Columbia	265.8	264.6	247.8	257.4	257.2	256.9
CANADA ^{1/}	241.7	238.6	230.1	239.6	232.4	234.6

^{1/} Excludes Newfoundland.

^{2/} Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

^{3/} Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

^{4/} For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1958 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced interim payment to be made on the 1957 crop of wheat. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada^{1/} is estimated at 239.8 for February, 2.2 points lower than the revised estimate of 242.0 points for January. This decline in February can be attributed in the main to a slight easing of prices for livestock and animal products and was the first month the index was lower than that of the preceding month, since September, 1958.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Feb. <u>2/</u> 1959	Jan. <u>2/</u> 1959	Feb. <u>3/</u> 1958	1958 <u>4/</u>	1957 <u>5/</u>	1956
Prince Edward Island	179.7	191.4	192.6	203.8	196.4	240.1
Nova Scotia	220.2	220.7	206.9	216.3	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	210.4	213.3	217.3	226.8	219.4	235.1
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CANADA <u>1/</u>	239.8	242.0	235.3	239.6	232.4	234.6

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1939	91.8	104.6	107.6	111.4	100.4	99.2	85.6	79.9	84.9	98.8
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
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1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	232.4	196.4	212.6	219.4	264.5	255.4	219.4	197.8	220.3	257.2
1958	230.1	188.7	206.1	213.6	264.9	253.8	218.6	197.6	215.2	247.8
January	235.3	192.6	206.9	217.3	270.8	261.0	223.6	200.9	220.7	248.6
February	240.9	276.2	221.6	261.6	274.0	266.9	225.6	202.3	224.3	253.3
March	244.4	246.0	223.6	260.1	278.3	270.8	231.5	205.1	228.2	261.2
April	247.9	191.0	216.0	229.6	281.7	278.1	235.6	207.9	234.0	265.3
May	245.8	176.2	218.6	209.9	284.6	276.9	234.5	206.3	229.6	258.5
June	244.8	198.1	219.9	253.3	282.7	273.8	232.1	204.0	228.6	256.0
July	238.2	219.0	228.2	224.4	279.2	266.8	224.7	195.4	221.4	253.4
August	236.0	190.9	215.2	217.0	271.3	262.9	223.7	198.1	222.0	255.6
September	236.3	180.6	213.0	207.1	269.4	263.4	222.2	198.9	224.5	261.4
October	236.3	191.3	212.3	213.4	267.8	261.7	224.3	199.9	224.4	262.7
November	238.6	195.3	214.2	214.1	270.6	265.9	227.0	200.3	225.1	264.6
December	239.6	203.8	216.3	226.8	274.6	266.8	227.0	201.4	224.8	257.4
AVERAGE	242.0	191.4	220.7	213.3	274.4	272.0	231.5	202.8	225.7	265.5
1959	239.8	179.7	220.2	210.4	274.5	268.0	229.1	200.8	224.1	267.7
January										
February										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

A preliminary estimate places the index of farm prices for Canada^{1/} at 237.4 for March, 2.3 points below the revised estimate of 239.7 for February. This decline, the second in succession since the first of year, is largely attributable to lower prices for cattle, calves and potatoes which more than offset some increase in prices for poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Mar. <u>2/</u> 1959	Feb. <u>2/</u> 1959	Mar. <u>3/</u> 1958	1958 <u>4/</u>	1957 <u>5/</u>	1956
Prince Edward Island	178.9	179.4	276.2	203.8	196.4	240.1
Nova Scotia	216.8	220.2	221.6	216.3	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	211.5	210.4	261.6	226.8	219.4	235.1
Quebec	275.9	274.9	274.3	274.9	264.5	258.8
Ontario	262.6	268.1	266.9	266.8	255.4	250.5
Manitoba	227.7	229.2	227.2	227.8	220.1	227.0
Saskatchewan	199.6	200.7	202.9	201.8	198.0	208.5
Alberta	222.9	223.3	225.0	225.1	220.6	224.0
British Columbia	262.8	268.1	253.3	257.4	257.2	256.9
CANADA <u>1/</u>	237.4	239.7	241.3	239.8	232.5	234.6

^{1/} Excludes Newfoundland.

^{2/} Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

^{3/} Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

^{4/} For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

^{5/} For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat, for the period August to December inclusive.

Prepared in Farm Finance Section, AGRICULTURE DIVISION.

In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1957, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1957 are final prices. From August 1957 to July 1958 western wheat prices were initial plus interim payments. Since August 1, 1958, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1958 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment to be made on the 1957 crops of oats and barley. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/

(1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	232.5	196.4	212.6	219.4	264.5	255.4	220.1	198.0	220.6	257.2
1958										
January	230.5	188.7	206.1	213.6	264.9	253.8	220.1	198.2	215.8	247.8
February	235.7	192.6	206.9	217.3	270.8	261.0	225.1	201.5	221.4	248.6
March	241.3	276.2	221.6	261.6	274.3	266.9	227.2	202.9	225.0	253.3
April	244.9	246.0	223.6	260.1	278.6	270.8	233.1	205.7	228.8	261.2
May	248.3	191.0	216.0	229.6	282.0	278.1	237.2	208.5	234.7	265.3
June	246.2	176.2	218.6	209.9	284.9	276.9	236.0	207.0	230.3	258.5
July	245.2	198.1	219.9	253.3	283.0	273.8	233.6	204.7	229.3	256.0
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November	236.2	191.3	212.3	213.4	268.1	261.7	224.3	199.9	223.6	262.7
December	238.4	195.3	214.2	214.1	270.9	265.9	227.0	200.3	224.3	264.6
AVERAGE	239.8	203.8	216.3	226.8	274.9	266.8	227.8	201.8	225.1	257.4
1959										
January	241.9	191.4	220.7	213.3	274.7	272.0	231.5	202.8	224.9	265.5
February	239.7	179.4	220.2	210.4	274.9	268.1	229.2	200.7	223.3	268.1
March	237.4	178.9	216.8	211.5	275.9	262.6	227.7	199.6	222.9	262.8

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for April, at 236.7, is only fractionally below the revised estimate of 237.3 for March. Minor downward adjustments in prices received by farmers from the sale of livestock, dairy products, and poultry and eggs more than offset slight increases in the prices of grains and potatoes.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Apr. 2/ 1959	Mar. 2/ 1959	Apr. 3/ 1958	1958 4/ 1959	1957 5/ 1958	1956
Prince Edward Island	181.9	179.5	246.6	204.3	197.0	240.1
Nova Scotia	218.4	216.8	223.6	216.3	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	208.2	211.5	260.1	226.8	219.4	235.1
Quebec	270.5	275.3	278.6	274.9	264.5	258.8
Ontario	262.4	262.5	270.8	266.8	255.4	250.5
Manitoba	227.8	227.6	233.1	227.8	220.1	227.0
Saskatchewan	199.3	199.6	205.7	201.8	198.0	208.5
Alberta	223.3	222.9	228.8	225.1	220.6	224.0
British Columbia	260.5	261.8	261.2	257.4	257.2	256.9
CANADA 1/	236.7	237.3	244.9	239.8	232.5	234.6

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1958 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment to be made on the 1957 crops of oats and barley. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
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April	236.7	181.9	218.4	208.2	270.5	262.4	227.8	199.3	223.3	260.5

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products estimated at 238.7 for May is two points above the estimate of 236.7 for April. Substantially higher prices for potatoes in the Maritime provinces together with slightly increased prices for livestock more than offset declines in the prices of dairy products, and poultry and eggs.

The index has been revised for the period August 1957 to July 1958 to take into account the recently announced final payment of about 9 cents made on the 1957 wheat crop.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	May 2/ 1959	Apr. 2/ 1959	May 1958	1958 3/ —	1957	1956
Prince Edward Island	278.1	181.8	191.5	204.3	197.0	240.1
Nova Scotia	225.2	219.3	216.0	216.3	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	241.6	208.2	229.6	226.8	219.4	235.1
Quebec	272.5	271.2	282.0	274.9	264.5	258.8
Ontario	261.5	262.2	278.1	266.8	255.4	250.5
Manitoba	228.7	227.8	242.7	231.1	222.4	227.0
Saskatchewan	198.1	199.3	217.0	206.6	201.6	208.5
Alberta	225.5	223.3	242.0	229.4	223.6	224.0
British Columbia	258.3	260.9	265.5	257.5	257.3	256.9
CANADA 1/	238.7	236.7	251.9	241.9	234.1	234.6

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2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/
(1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.1	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.5	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	257.3
1958										
January	234.2	189.2	206.1	213.6	264.9	253.8	225.7	206.6	223.1	248.1
February	239.4	193.1	206.9	217.3	270.8	261.0	230.6	210.0	228.7	248.9
March	245.0	276.7	221.6	261.6	274.3	266.9	232.7	211.3	232.3	253.6
April	248.5	246.6	223.6	260.1	278.6	270.8	238.6	214.1	236.1	261.5
May	251.9	191.5	216.0	229.6	282.0	278.1	242.7	217.0	242.0	265.5
June	249.9	176.7	218.6	209.9	284.9	276.9	241.5	215.4	237.6	258.7
July	248.9	198.6	219.9	253.3	283.0	273.8	239.1	213.1	236.6	256.2
August	238.2	219.5	228.2	224.4	279.5	266.8	224.7	195.4	221.4	253.4
September	236.1	191.4	215.2	217.0	271.6	262.9	223.7	198.1	222.0	255.6
October	236.4	181.1	213.0	207.1	269.7	263.4	222.2	198.9	224.5	261.4
November	235.9	191.8	212.3	213.4	268.1	261.3	224.3	198.8	223.6	262.7
December	238.3	195.8	214.2	214.1	270.9	265.6	227.0	200.3	224.3	264.6
AVERAGE	241.9	204.3	216.3	226.8	274.9	266.8	231.1	206.6	229.4	257.5
1959										
January	241.8	191.9	220.7	213.3	274.7	271.6	231.5	202.8	224.9	265.5
February	239.6	180.0	220.2	210.4	274.9	267.9	229.2	200.7	223.3	268.1
March	237.3	179.5	216.8	211.5	275.3	262.5	227.6	199.6	222.9	261.8
April	236.7	181.8	219.3	208.2	271.2	262.2	227.8	199.3	223.3	260.9
May	238.7	278.1	225.2	241.6	272.5	261.5	228.7	198.1	225.5	258.3

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products, estimated at 239.8 points for June, is 0.9 of a point above the estimate of 238.9 for May. The increase of about one point in the index from May to June this year, can be attributed to higher potato prices. With the exception of prices of poultry products which declined, prices of other farm commodities remained relatively stable during this period.

Compared with a year earlier, the June index of 239.8 points, was 10.1 points lower than the June 1958 estimate of 249.9 points. This decline can be attributed, in the main, to lower grain and livestock prices. The higher June 1958 grain prices, compared with those of June of the current calendar year, can be attributed largely to the announced payments on wheat, oats and barley for the 1957 grain crop.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	June <u>2/</u> 1959	May <u>2/</u> 1959	June 1958	1958 <u>3/</u>	1957	1956
Prince Edward Island	283.3	278.2	176.7	204.3	197.0	240.1
Nova Scotia	233.0	225.0	218.6	216.3	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	258.7	241.4	209.9	226.8	219.4	235.1
Quebec	276.0	272.0	284.9	274.9	264.5	258.8
Ontario	262.5	262.5	276.9	266.8	255.4	250.5
Manitoba	227.0	228.7	241.5	231.1	222.4	227.0
Saskatchewan	198.2	198.1	215.4	206.6	201.6	208.5
Alberta	224.7	225.5	237.6	229.4	223.6	224.0
British Columbia	262.6	258.0	258.7	257.5	257.3	256.9
CANADA <u>1/</u>	239.8	238.9	249.9	241.9	234.1	234.6

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

Prepared in Farm Finance Section, AGRICULTURE DIVISION.

In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1958, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1958 are final prices. Since August 1, 1958, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1958 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of about 9 cents to be made on the 1957 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/

(1935-39 = 100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.1	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.5	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	257.3
1958										
August	238.2	219.5	228.2	224.4	279.5	266.8	224.7	195.4	221.4	253.4
September	236.1	191.4	215.2	217.0	271.6	262.9	223.7	198.1	222.0	255.6
October	236.4	181.1	213.0	207.1	269.7	263.4	222.2	198.9	224.5	261.4
November	235.9	191.8	212.3	213.4	268.1	261.3	224.3	198.8	223.6	262.7
December	238.3	195.8	214.2	214.1	270.9	265.6	227.0	200.3	224.3	264.6
AVERAGE	241.9	204.3	216.3	226.8	274.9	266.8	231.1	206.6	229.4	257.5
1959										
January	241.8	191.9	220.7	213.3	274.7	271.6	231.5	202.8	224.9	265.5
February	239.6	180.0	220.2	210.4	274.9	267.9	229.2	200.7	223.3	268.1
March	237.3	179.5	216.8	211.5	275.3	262.5	227.6	199.6	222.9	261.8
April	236.7	181.8	219.3	208.2	271.2	262.2	227.8	199.3	223.3	260.9
May	238.9	278.2	225.0	241.4	272.0	262.5	228.7	198.1	225.5	258.0
June	239.8	283.3	233.0	258.7	276.0	262.5	227.0	198.2	224.7	262.6

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 242.2 for July, 2.6 points above the revised estimate of 239.6 for June. Since April when it stood at 236.3 the low point to date for the year, the index has climbed steadily to its present level. The gain between June and July is attributable in large part to increased prices for livestock and potatoes.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	July <u>2/</u> 1959	June <u>2/</u> 1959	July 1958	1958 <u>3/</u>	1957	1956
Prince Edward Island	262.6	283.3	198.6	204.3	197.0	240.1
Nova Scotia	236.5	232.9	219.9	216.3	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	281.8	258.7	253.3	226.8	219.4	235.1
Quebec	281.5	276.3	283.4	275.3	264.8	258.8
Ontario	264.8	261.6	274.1	266.5	255.4	250.5
Manitoba	228.7	227.1	239.1	231.1	222.4	227.0
Saskatchewan	199.7	198.3	213.1	206.6	201.6	208.5
Alberta	224.9	224.8	236.6	229.4	223.6	224.0
British Columbia	266.6	262.3	256.2	257.5	257.3	256.9
CANADA <u>1/</u>	242.2	239.6	249.0	241.8	234.1	234.6

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1958 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
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1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
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1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.1	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	257.3
1958										
August	238.3	219.5	228.2	224.4	279.9	266.8	224.7	195.4	221.4	253.4
September	236.0	191.4	215.2	217.0	272.1	262.5	223.7	198.1	222.0	255.6
October	236.3	181.1	213.0	207.1	270.1	263.0	222.2	198.9	224.5	261.4
November	235.5	191.8	212.3	213.4	268.6	259.9	224.3	198.8	223.6	262.7
December	238.0	195.8	214.2	214.1	271.3	264.1	227.0	200.3	224.3	264.6
AVERAGE	241.8	204.3	216.3	226.8	275.3	266.5	231.1	206.6	229.4	257.5
1959										
January	241.4	191.9	220.7	213.3	275.2	270.2	231.5	202.8	224.9	265.5
February	239.3	180.0	220.2	210.4	275.3	266.5	229.2	200.7	223.3	268.1
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May	238.5	278.2	225.0	241.4	272.5	261.1	228.7	198.1	225.5	258.0
June	239.6	283.3	232.9	258.7	276.3	261.6	227.1	198.3	224.8	262.3
July	242.2	262.6	236.5	281.8	281.5	264.8	228.7	199.7	224.9	266.6

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for August is estimated at 241.4, only slightly below the estimate of 242.2 for July. This decline in the index, the first since April, is attributable to lower prices for livestock which more than offset slightly higher prices for dairy products, and poultry and eggs.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Aug <u>2</u> / 1959	July <u>2</u> / 1959	Aug <u>2</u> / 1958	1958 <u>3</u> / 1957	1957	1956
Prince Edward Island	301.0	262.5	219.5	204.3	197.0	240.1
Nova Scotia	236.5	236.0	228.2	216.3	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	293.5	281.7	224.4	226.8	219.4	235.1
Quebec	276.5	281.2	279.9	275.3	264.8	258.8
Ontario	264.8	265.3	266.8	266.5	255.4	250.5
Manitoba	231.3	228.6	224.7	231.1	222.4	227.0
Saskatchewan	199.8	199.8	195.4	206.6	201.6	208.5
Alberta	222.1	224.8	221.4	229.4	223.6	224.0
British Columbia	253.9	266.5	253.4	257.5	257.3	256.9
CANADA <u>1</u> / 	241.4	242.2	238.3	241.8	234.1	234.6

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

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Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of about 9 cents to be made on the 1957 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.1	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	257.3
1958										
August	238.3	219.5	228.2	224.4	279.9	266.8	224.7	195.4	221.4	253.4
September	236.0	191.4	215.2	217.0	272.1	262.5	223.7	198.1	222.0	255.6
October	236.3	181.1	213.0	207.1	270.1	263.0	222.2	198.9	224.5	261.4
November	235.5	191.8	212.3	213.4	268.6	259.9	224.3	198.8	223.6	262.7
December	238.0	195.8	214.2	214.1	271.3	264.1	227.0	200.3	224.3	264.6
AVERAGE	241.8	204.3	216.3	226.8	275.3	266.5	231.1	206.6	229.4	257.5
1959										
January	241.4	191.9	220.7	213.3	275.2	270.2	231.5	202.8	224.9	265.5
February	239.3	180.0	220.2	210.4	275.3	266.5	229.2	200.7	223.3	268.1
March	236.9	179.5	216.8	211.5	275.7	261.0	227.6	199.6	222.9	261.8
April	236.3	181.8	219.3	208.2	271.6	260.7	227.8	199.3	223.3	260.9
May	238.5	278.2	225.0	241.4	272.5	261.1	228.7	198.1	225.5	258.0
June	239.6	283.3	232.9	258.7	276.3	261.6	227.1	198.3	224.8	262.3
July	242.2	262.5	236.0	281.7	281.2	265.3	228.6	199.8	224.8	266.5
August	241.4	301.0	236.5	293.5	276.5	264.8	231.3	199.8	222.1	253.9

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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 INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for September is estimated at 239.5 points, two points lower than the revised August estimate. The overall decline of the index from August to September was largely of a seasonal nature and can be attributed in the main to lower potato prices. Prices for dairy products, livestock and poultry and eggs were higher in September than in August, but these increases were not sufficient to offset the effects of lower potato prices.

The September 1959 estimate of 239.5 points is 3.6 points higher than that of September a year earlier. This increase can be attributed in the main to higher farm prices for livestock and dairy products.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Sept <u>2</u> / 1959	Aug <u>2</u> / 1959	Sept <u>2</u> / 1958	1958 <u>3</u> / 1958	1957	1956
Prince Edward Island	238.1	300.9	191.4	204.3	197.0	240.1
Nova Scotia	230.3	237.9	216.6	216.8	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	237.3	294.6	217.6	227.0	219.4	235.1
Quebec	272.8	275.8	271.0	274.7	264.8	258.8
Ontario	264.1	264.4	262.5	266.5	255.4	250.5
Manitoba	227.0	231.3	223.7	231.1	222.4	227.0
Saskatchewan	201.5	199.7	198.1	206.6	201.6	208.5
Alberta	223.9	222.1	222.0	229.4	223.6	224.0
British Columbia	262.3	260.7	255.0	262.9	260.2	256.9
CANADA <u>1</u> / 	239.5	241.5	235.9	242.0	234.2	234.6

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1958 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
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1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958										
August	238.5	219.5	228.2	224.7	279.1	266.8	224.7	195.4	221.4	261.2
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November	235.4	191.8	213.7	214.0	267.5	259.9	224.3	198.8	223.6	262.1
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AVERAGE	242.0	204.3	216.8	227.0	274.7	266.5	231.1	206.6	229.4	262.9
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August	241.5	300.9	237.9	294.6	275.8	264.4	231.3	199.7	222.1	260.7
September	239.5	238.1	230.3	237.3	272.8	264.1	227.0	201.5	223.9	262.3

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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The index of prices received by farmers declined for the third consecutive month in October to an estimated seasonal low of 235.9 points. The decline from September to October can be attributed in the main to lower prices for livestock, grains and potatoes which more than offset the effects of higher prices for dairy products and eggs. Marketings of lower quality from the current western grain crop, compared with the previous crop, accounted largely for lower grain prices.

Compared with a year earlier, the October index was down fractionally. Slightly lower livestock and grain prices more than offset the effects of slightly higher prices received for dairy products.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Oct 2/ 1959	Sept 2/ 1959	Oct 2/ 1958	1958 3/ 1959	1957	1956
Prince Edward Island	231.5	237.9	181.1	204.3	197.0	240.1
Nova Scotia	228.0	230.6	214.4	216.8	212.6	208.7
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Alberta	215.7	223.9	224.5	229.4	223.6	224.0
British Columbia	262.9	262.3	260.8	262.9	260.2	256.9
CANADA 1/	235.9	239.7	236.2	242.0	234.2	234.6

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August	241.7	300.9	237.9	294.6	275.8	265.0	231.3	199.7	222.1	260.7
September	239.7	237.9	230.6	237.4	272.8	264.8	227.0	201.5	223.9	262.3
October	235.9	231.5	228.0	232.8	271.6	263.7	221.2	196.5	215.7	262.9

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The index of prices received by farmers declined for the fourth consecutive month in November to an estimated seasonal low of 234.2 points. The decline from October to November can be attributed in the main to lower prices for livestock and grains which more than offset the effects of higher prices received for dairy products, poultry and eggs, and potatoes. Marketings of lower quality from the current western grain crop, compared with the previous crop, accounted for lower grain prices.

Compared with a year earlier, the November index was down about one point. Lower prices for livestock, poultry and eggs, and grain more than offset the effects of slightly higher prices received for dairy products and potatoes.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Nov. <u>2/</u> 1959	Oct. <u>2/</u> 1959	Nov. <u>2/</u> 1958	1958 <u>3/</u>	1957	1956
Prince Edward Island	242.4	231.5	191.8	204.3	197.0	240.1
Nova Scotia	225.8	226.9	213.7	216.8	212.6	208.7
New Brunswick	240.0	232.9	214.0	227.0	219.4	235.1
Quebec	269.6	272.1	267.5	274.7	264.8	258.8
Ontario	264.6	265.0	259.9	266.5	255.4	250.5
Manitoba	218.1	221.3	224.3	231.1	222.4	227.0
Saskatchewan	192.6	196.6	198.8	206.6	201.6	208.5
Alberta	211.4	215.7	223.6	229.4	223.6	224.0
British Columbia	261.0	262.0	262.1	262.9	260.2	256.9
CANADA <u>1/</u>	234.2	236.3	235.4	242.0	234.2	234.6

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1958, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1958 are final prices. Since August 1, 1958, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1958 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of about 9 cents to be made on the 1957 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
1940	96.8	101.6	99.6	110.1	103.7	104.2	92.8	86.5	90.6	103.5
1941	110.2	105.2	117.1	115.5	127.4	120.2	103.7	93.8	102.8	114.4
1942	133.1	156.2	144.1	160.4	153.4	147.0	122.2	110.5	121.7	140.4
1943	157.8	190.3	169.1	181.4	172.6	165.0	151.3	139.9	149.9	175.8
1944	172.4	172.7	173.3	171.9	171.7	169.1	173.1	171.4	176.9	179.5
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	238.5	219.5	228.2	224.7	279.1	266.8	224.7	195.4	221.4	261.2
September	235.9	191.4	216.6	217.6	271.0	262.5	223.7	198.1	222.0	255.0
October	236.2	181.1	214.4	207.7	269.1	263.0	222.2	198.9	224.5	260.8
November	235.4	191.8	213.7	214.0	267.5	259.9	224.3	198.8	223.6	262.1
December	237.8	195.8	215.6	214.7	270.3	264.1	227.0	200.3	224.3	264.0
AVERAGE	242.0	204.3	216.8	227.0	274.7	266.5	231.1	206.6	229.4	262.9
1959	241.3	191.9	222.1	213.9	274.1	270.2	231.5	202.8	224.9	265.0
January	239.2	180.0	221.6	211.0	274.3	266.5	229.2	200.7	223.3	267.6
February	236.8	179.5	218.2	212.1	274.7	261.0	227.6	199.6	222.9	261.3
March	236.2	181.8	220.7	208.8	270.6	260.7	227.8	199.3	223.3	260.1
April	238.4	278.2	226.4	242.0	271.4	261.1	228.7	198.1	225.5	257.1
May	239.6	283.3	234.3	259.8	275.2	261.6	227.1	198.3	224.8	262.6
June	242.2	262.5	237.4	282.8	280.0	265.3	228.6	199.8	224.8	267.7
July	241.7	300.9	237.9	294.6	275.8	265.0	231.3	199.7	222.1	260.7
August	239.7	237.9	230.6	237.4	272.8	264.8	227.0	201.5	223.9	262.3
September	236.3	231.5	226.9	232.9	272.1	265.0	221.3	196.6	215.7	262.0
October	234.2	242.4	225.8	240.0	269.6	264.6	218.1	192.6	211.4	261.0
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1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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The index of prices received by farmers from the sale of farm products is estimated at 231.4 for December. This is 2.5 points below the revised estimate of 233.9 for November and 6.4 points below the 237.8 established for December 1958. The decline in the index between November and December 1959 is largely attributable to lower prices for grains, livestock and eggs. Compared with a year ago, the current index is down as a result of lower prices for grains, livestock, eggs and poultry.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Dec. <u>2/</u> 1959	Nov. <u>2/</u> 1959	Dec. <u>2/</u> 1958	1959 <u>2/</u>	1958 <u>3/</u>	1957
Prince Edward Island	233.4	242.5	195.8	233.6	204.3	197.0
Nova Scotia	221.8	225.9	215.6	227.0	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	238.0	240.2	214.7	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	269.3	269.2	270.3	273.3	274.7	264.8
Ontario	262.0	263.9	264.1	263.9	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	218.5	218.1	227.0	226.4	231.1	222.4
Saskatchewan	190.4	192.5	200.3	198.3	206.6	201.6
Alberta	205.5	211.4	224.3	220.7	229.4	223.6
British Columbia	257.5	261.6	264.0	262.1	262.9	260.2
CANADA <u>1/</u>	231.4	233.9	237.8	238.1	242.0	234.2

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1958 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payment of about 9 cents made on the 1957 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958 August	238.5	219.5	228.2	224.7	279.1	266.8	224.7	195.4	221.4	261.2
September	235.9	191.4	216.6	217.6	271.0	262.5	223.7	198.1	222.0	255.0
October	236.2	181.1	214.4	207.7	269.1	263.0	222.2	198.9	224.5	260.8
November	235.4	191.8	213.7	214.0	267.5	259.9	224.3	198.8	223.6	262.1
December	237.8	195.8	215.6	214.7	270.3	264.1	227.0	200.3	224.3	264.0
AVERAGE	242.0	204.3	216.8	227.0	274.7	266.5	231.1	206.6	229.4	262.9
1959 January	241.3	191.9	222.1	213.9	274.1	270.2	231.5	202.8	224.9	265.0
February	239.2	180.0	221.6	211.0	274.3	266.5	229.2	200.7	223.3	267.6
March	236.8	179.5	218.2	212.1	274.7	261.0	227.6	199.6	222.9	261.3
April	236.2	181.8	220.7	208.8	270.6	260.7	227.8	199.3	223.3	260.1
May	238.4	278.2	226.4	242.0	271.4	261.1	228.7	198.1	225.5	257.1
June	239.6	283.3	234.3	259.8	275.2	261.6	227.1	198.3	224.8	262.6
July	242.2	262.5	237.4	282.8	280.0	265.3	228.6	199.8	224.8	267.7
August	241.7	300.9	237.9	294.6	275.8	265.0	231.3	199.7	222.1	260.7
September	239.7	237.9	230.6	237.4	272.8	264.8	227.0	201.5	223.9	262.3
October	236.3	231.5	226.9	232.9	272.1	265.0	221.3	196.6	215.7	262.0
November	233.9	242.5	225.9	240.2	269.2	263.9	218.1	192.5	211.4	261.6
December	231.4	233.4	221.8	238.0	269.3	262.0	218.5	190.4	205.5	257.5
AVERAGE	238.1	233.6	227.0	239.5	273.3	263.9	226.4	198.3	220.7	262.1

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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The index of farm prices which has declined steadily since July continued downward to an estimated 229.7 for January. Compared with December the current estimate is down 1.2 points as a result of lower prices for livestock, poultry and eggs more than offsetting higher prices for potatoes. Compared with a year ago the current index is lower by almost 12 points. Lower grain prices at the present time relative to a year ago reflect marketings of lower quality from the current western grain crop. In addition, prices are lower for livestock, poultry and eggs. Only the prices of dairy products and potatoes are above the January level of a year ago.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Jan. 2/ 1960	Dec. 2/ 1959	Jan. 2/ 1959	1959 2/ 1958 3/	1957	
Prince Edward Island	263.8	233.4	191.9	233.6	204.3	197.0
Nova Scotia	229.2	221.4	222.1	227.0	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	257.1	238.2	213.9	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	269.3	269.5	274.1	273.3	274.7	264.8
Ontario	258.7	260.2	270.2	263.8	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	214.7	218.4	231.5	226.4	231.1	222.4
Saskatchewan	187.9	190.3	202.8	198.3	206.6	201.6
Alberta	202.0	205.5	224.9	220.7	229.4	223.6
British Columbia	256.4	257.5	265.0	262.1	262.9	260.2
CANADA 1/	229.7	230.9	241.3	238.0	242.0	234.2

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1958 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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The index of farm prices moved down in February to an estimated 226.5 points from the January estimate of 229.4 points. This downward movement can be attributed largely to lower cattle and hog prices. Farm prices for cattle declined slightly between January and February, but the decline in hog prices was much more pronounced. Prices received by farmers in the Prairie Provinces for cereal grains remained unchanged during the two months under review, but slight increases were noted in Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Feb. <u>2</u> / 1960	Jan. <u>2</u> / 1960	Feb. <u>3</u> / 1959	1959 <u>4</u> / 1958 <u>5</u> / 1957		
Prince Edward Island	251.5	262.8	179.0	232.7	203.4	197.0
Nova Scotia	229.3	229.2	221.5	226.8	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	259.5	257.1	211.0	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	268.9	268.5	274.4	273.1	274.9	264.8
Ontario	253.0	258.2	266.5	263.7	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	212.6	214.7	235.3	230.0	233.6	222.4
Saskatchewan	185.4	187.8	210.1	203.7	210.5	201.6
Alberta	199.1	201.8	232.4	226.2	232.9	223.6
British Columbia	252.3	255.6	268.0	262.6	263.0	260.2
CANADA <u>1</u> / <u>2</u>	226.5	229.4	243.4	240.5	243.8	234.2

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.3/ Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat, for the period August to December inclusive.

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Farmers in three provinces, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Quebec, received, on the average, higher prices for the products they sold in February than in January; farmers in the remaining six provinces included in the index received less. Lower hog prices tempered provincial index numbers in the three provinces where increases were noted and accounted in large measure for the declines noted in the remaining six provincial index numbers.

In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1958, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1958 include final payments for all grains. From August 1958 to July 1959 western wheat prices are initial plus interim payments. Since August 1, 1959, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points:

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
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Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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The index of farm prices for March, estimated at 226.3, is only slightly below the revised estimate of 226.6 for February. The more important price changes occurred in the case of livestock, potatoes, poultry and eggs, with lower prices for livestock slightly offsetting increases recorded for the other three commodities. The index has been revised back to August 1958 to include the recently announced final payments on the 1958 crops of western oats and barley.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Mar. <u>2/</u> 1960	Feb. <u>2/</u> 1960	Mar. <u>3/</u> 1959	1959 <u>4/</u>	1958 <u>5/</u>	1957
Prince Edward Island	262.5	251.4	178.5	232.7	203.4	197.0
Nova Scotia	231.5	229.3	218.0	226.8	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	269.3	259.5	212.1	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	267.1	269.4	274.7	273.1	274.9	264.8
Ontario	249.0	253.1	260.2	263.7	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	214.1	212.6	235.5	231.0	234.3	222.4
Saskatchewan	187.1	185.4	210.0	204.3	211.0	201.6
Alberta	199.8	199.1	233.2	226.9	233.4	223.6
British Columbia	257.2	252.2	261.7	262.6	263.0	260.2
CANADA <u>1/</u>	226.3	226.6	241.4	240.8	244.0	234.2

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

5/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat, for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1959 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payments made on the 1958 crops of oats and barley. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1945	185.7	196.7	180.8	195.3	179.5	174.6	188.4	192.6	196.2	187.8
1946	204.1	194.2	191.2	207.7	196.9	187.9	209.4	217.3	219.9	199.2
1947	215.8	180.1	184.9	199.6	213.7	202.1	225.9	226.1	231.9	207.1
1948	255.8	236.6	214.1	250.3	265.6	258.6	259.6	247.1	262.9	240.2
1949	255.4	204.1	210.5	220.5	261.3	257.8	262.8	248.8	265.6	245.1
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	243.2	218.6	228.2	224.7	279.4	266.8	232.5	205.9	230.7	261.5
August	240.6	190.5	216.6	217.6	271.2	262.5	231.5	208.6	231.3	255.4
September	240.9	180.2	214.4	207.7	269.3	263.0	230.1	209.4	233.7	261.1
October	240.3	190.8	213.7	214.0	267.8	259.9	232.1	209.2	233.9	262.4
November	242.7	194.8	215.6	214.7	270.5	264.1	234.7	210.8	234.6	264.4
December	244.0	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.9	266.5	234.3	211.0	233.4	263.0
AVERAGE	246.1	190.9	221.9	213.9	274.1	270.2	239.4	213.2	235.2	265.4
1959	244.0	179.0	221.5	211.0	274.4	266.5	237.0	211.1	233.6	268.0
January	241.4	178.5	218.0	212.1	274.7	260.2	235.5	210.0	233.2	261.7
February	241.1	180.8	220.5	208.7	270.6	260.7	235.6	209.7	233.6	260.4
March	243.3	277.3	226.2	242.0	271.5	261.1	236.5	208.5	235.8	258.2
April	244.3	282.3	234.1	259.8	274.2	261.5	234.9	208.7	235.0	263.6
May	246.9	261.6	237.2	282.9	279.1	265.3	236.4	210.2	235.1	268.6
June	241.9	299.9	237.9	294.6	275.7	264.9	231.3	199.7	223.1	260.9
July	239.9	237.1	230.5	237.4	272.8	264.8	227.0	201.4	225.0	262.5
August	236.5	230.7	226.8	232.9	272.1	265.0	221.3	196.6	216.7	262.3
September	233.9	241.6	225.7	240.2	269.2	263.9	218.1	192.5	211.2	261.9
October	230.8	232.5	221.4	238.2	269.2	260.2	218.4	190.3	205.3	257.7
November	240.8	232.7	226.8	239.5	273.1	263.7	231.0	204.3	226.9	262.6
December	229.4	262.8	229.2	257.1	268.5	258.2	214.7	187.8	201.8	255.6
AVERAGE	226.6	251.4	229.3	259.5	269.4	253.1	212.6	185.4	199.1	252.2
1960	226.3	262.5	231.5	269.3	267.1	249.0	214.1	187.1	199.8	257.2
January										
February										
March										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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The index of farm prices for April is estimated at 233.7 points. This is the first pronounced upward movement the index has made since last August when it began a downward drift and leveled off in February and March at a level slightly above 226 points. The upswing that took place in April can be attributed largely to higher prices for livestock, particularly hogs, and for eggs, poultry and potatoes.

Index numbers for each of the provinces were also higher in April than in March. The largest increases were noted for the provinces of Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick and can be accounted for, in the main, by higher potato prices.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Apr. 2/ 1960	Mar. 2/ 1960	Apr. 3/ 1959	1959 4/ 1959	1958 5/ 1958	1957
Prince Edward Island	321.3	263.0	180.8	232.7	203.4	197.0
Nova Scotia	243.7	231.4	220.5	226.8	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	309.2	269.3	208.7	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	273.5	266.6	270.6	273.1	274.9	264.8
Ontario	257.4	250.6	260.7	263.7	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	218.1	214.1	235.6	231.0	234.3	222.4
Saskatchewan	191.9	187.1	209.7	204.3	211.0	201.6
Alberta	205.0	199.8	233.6	226.9	233.4	223.6
British Columbia	259.5	257.7	260.4	262.6	263.0	260.2
CANADA 1/	233.7	226.7	241.1	240.8	244.0	234.2

- 1/ Excludes Newfoundland.
 2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
 3/ Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
 4/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat for the period January to July inclusive, and on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.
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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1959 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payments made on the 1958 crops of oats and barley. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

	CANADA	P. E. I.	N. S.	N. B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B. C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	243.2	218.6	228.2	224.7	279.4	266.8	232.5	205.9	230.7	261.5
August	240.6	190.5	216.6	217.6	271.2	262.5	231.5	208.6	231.3	255.4
September	240.9	180.2	214.4	207.7	269.3	263.0	230.1	209.4	233.7	261.1
October	240.3	190.8	213.7	214.0	267.8	259.9	232.1	209.2	233.9	262.4
November	242.7	194.8	215.6	214.7	270.5	264.1	234.7	210.8	234.6	264.4
December	244.0	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.9	266.5	234.3	211.0	233.4	263.0
AVERAGE	246.1	190.9	221.9	213.9	274.1	270.2	239.4	213.2	235.2	265.4
1959	244.0	179.0	221.5	211.0	274.4	266.5	237.0	211.1	233.6	268.0
January	241.4	178.5	218.0	212.1	274.7	260.2	235.5	210.0	233.2	261.7
February	241.1	180.8	220.5	208.7	270.6	260.7	235.6	209.7	233.6	260.4
March	243.3	277.3	226.2	242.0	271.5	261.1	236.5	208.5	235.8	258.2
April	244.3	282.3	234.1	259.8	274.2	261.5	234.9	208.7	235.0	263.6
May	246.9	261.6	237.2	282.9	279.1	265.3	236.4	210.2	235.1	268.6
June	241.9	299.9	237.9	294.6	275.7	264.9	231.3	199.7	223.1	260.9
July	239.9	237.1	230.5	237.4	272.8	264.8	227.0	201.4	225.0	262.5
August	236.5	230.7	226.8	232.9	272.1	265.0	221.3	196.6	216.7	262.3
September	233.9	241.6	225.7	240.2	269.2	263.9	218.1	192.5	211.2	261.9
October	230.8	232.5	221.4	238.2	269.2	260.2	218.4	190.3	205.3	257.7
November	240.8	232.7	226.8	239.5	273.1	263.7	231.0	204.3	226.9	262.6
December	229.4	262.8	229.2	257.1	268.5	258.2	214.7	187.8	201.8	255.6
AVERAGE	226.6	251.4	229.3	259.5	269.4	253.1	212.6	185.4	199.1	252.2
1960	226.7	263.0	231.4	269.3	266.6	250.6	214.1	187.1	199.8	257.7
January	233.7	321.3	243.7	309.2	273.5	257.4	218.1	191.9	205.0	259.5
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 235.5 for May, 1.7 points above the revised estimate of 233.8 for April. This is the second consecutive month in which gains of any importance have been recorded this year. Increased prices for livestock and potatoes between April and May more than offset lower prices for poultry and eggs.

For the period August 1958 to July 1959, the index has been revised to include the recently announced final payment of 9.2 cents to be made on the 1958 western wheat crop.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	May 2/ 1960	Apr. 2/ 1960	May 1959	1959 3/ 1959	1958	1957
Prince Edward Island	337.8	321.4	277.3	232.7	203.4	197.0
Nova Scotia	252.8	244.4	226.2	226.8	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	317.7	309.1	242.0	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	276.2	273.8	271.5	273.1	274.9	264.8
Ontario	260.2	257.5	261.1	263.7	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	217.7	218.1	242.0	234.2	236.6	222.4
Saskatchewan	190.9	191.9	216.9	209.2	214.5	201.6
Alberta	206.6	205.0	243.1	231.2	236.4	223.6
British Columbia	261.1	259.4	258.4	262.7	263.2	260.2
CANADA 1/	235.5	233.8	246.9	243.0	245.5	234.2

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1959 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P. E. I.	N. S.	N. B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B. C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	246.9	218.6	228.2	224.7	279.4	266.8	238.0	214.3	238.0	261.8
August	244.2	190.5	216.6	217.6	271.2	262.5	237.1	217.0	238.6	255.6
September	244.5	180.2	214.4	207.7	269.3	263.0	235.6	217.8	241.0	261.4
October	243.9	190.8	213.7	214.0	267.8	259.9	237.6	217.7	241.2	262.7
November	246.4	194.8	215.6	214.7	270.5	264.1	240.2	219.2	241.9	264.7
December	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.9	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
AVERAGE	249.8	190.9	221.9	213.9	274.1	270.2	244.9	221.6	242.5	265.6
1959	247.7	179.0	221.5	211.0	274.4	266.5	242.5	219.6	240.9	268.3
January	245.0	178.5	218.0	212.1	274.7	260.2	241.0	218.4	240.5	261.9
February	244.7	180.8	220.5	208.7	270.6	260.7	241.1	218.2	240.9	260.7
March	246.9	277.3	226.2	242.0	271.5	261.1	242.0	216.9	243.1	258.4
April	247.9	282.3	234.1	259.8	274.2	261.5	240.4	217.1	242.3	263.9
May	250.6	261.6	237.2	282.9	279.1	265.3	242.0	218.6	242.4	268.8
June	241.9	299.9	237.9	294.6	275.7	264.9	231.3	199.7	223.1	260.9
July	239.9	237.1	230.5	237.4	272.8	264.8	227.0	201.4	225.0	262.5
August	236.5	230.7	226.8	232.9	272.1	265.0	221.3	196.6	216.7	262.3
September	233.9	241.6	225.7	240.2	269.2	263.9	218.1	192.5	211.2	261.9
October	230.8	232.5	221.4	238.2	269.2	260.2	218.4	190.3	205.3	257.7
November	243.0	232.7	226.8	239.5	273.1	263.7	234.2	209.2	231.2	262.7
December	229.4	262.8	229.2	257.1	268.5	258.2	214.7	187.8	201.8	255.6
AVERAGE	226.6	251.4	229.3	259.5	269.4	253.1	212.6	185.4	199.1	252.2
1960	226.7	263.0	231.4	269.3	266.6	250.6	214.1	187.1	199.8	257.7
January	233.8	321.4	244.4	309.1	273.8	257.5	218.1	191.9	205.0	259.4
February	235.5	337.8	252.8	317.7	276.2	260.2	217.7	190.9	206.6	261.1

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products increased for the third consecutive month to 239.7 points in June, 1.8 per cent higher than the revised May estimate of 235.4 points. This increase can be attributed in the main, to higher livestock prices, particularly prices for hogs, and to higher potatoe prices.

For the period August 1958 to July 1959 the index has been revised to include the recently announced final payment of 9.2 cents made on the 1958 western wheat crop.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	June <u>2/</u> 1960	May <u>2/</u> 1960	June 1959	1959 <u>3/</u>	1958	1957
Prince Edward Island	341.1	337.6	282.3	232.7	203.4	197.0
Nova Scotia	259.1	252.8	234.1	226.8	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	318.2	317.7	259.8	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	279.6	276.0	274.2	273.1	274.9	264.8
Ontario	266.4	259.8	261.5	263.7	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	220.9	217.7	240.4	234.2	236.6	222.4
Saskatchewan	193.1	190.8	217.1	209.2	214.5	201.6
Alberta	211.2	206.6	242.3	231.2	236.4	223.6
British Columbia	265.3	261.3	263.9	262.7	263.2	260.2
CANADA <u>1/</u>	239.7	235.4	247.9	243.0	245.5	234.2

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1959 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of 9.2 cents to be made on the 1958 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P. E. I.	N. S.	N. B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B. C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	246.9	218.6	228.2	224.7	279.4	266.8	238.0	214.3	238.0	261.8
August	244.2	190.5	216.6	217.6	271.2	262.5	237.1	217.0	238.6	255.6
September	244.5	180.2	214.4	207.7	269.3	263.0	235.6	217.8	241.0	261.4
October	243.9	190.8	213.7	214.0	267.8	259.9	237.6	217.7	241.2	262.7
November	246.4	194.8	215.6	214.7	270.5	264.1	240.2	219.2	241.9	264.7
December	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.9	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
AVERAGE	249.8	190.9	221.9	213.9	274.1	270.2	244.9	221.6	242.5	265.6
1959	247.7	179.0	221.5	211.0	274.4	266.5	242.5	219.6	240.9	268.3
January	245.0	178.5	218.0	212.1	274.7	260.2	241.0	218.4	240.5	261.9
February	244.7	180.8	220.5	208.7	270.6	260.7	241.1	218.2	240.9	260.7
March	246.9	277.3	226.2	242.0	271.5	261.1	242.0	216.9	243.1	258.4
April	247.9	282.3	234.1	259.8	274.2	261.5	240.4	217.1	242.3	263.9
May	250.6	261.6	237.2	282.9	279.1	265.3	242.0	218.6	242.4	268.8
June	241.9	299.9	237.9	294.6	275.7	264.9	231.3	199.7	223.1	260.9
July	239.9	237.1	230.5	237.4	272.8	264.8	227.0	201.4	225.0	262.5
August	236.5	230.7	226.8	232.9	272.1	265.0	221.3	196.6	216.7	262.3
September	233.9	241.6	225.7	240.2	269.2	263.9	218.1	192.5	211.2	261.9
October	230.8	232.5	221.4	238.2	269.2	260.2	218.4	190.3	205.3	257.7
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December	229.4	262.8	229.2	257.1	268.5	258.2	214.7	187.8	201.8	255.6
AVERAGE	226.6	251.4	229.3	259.5	269.4	253.1	212.6	185.4	199.1	252.2
1960	226.7	263.0	231.4	269.3	266.6	250.6	214.1	187.1	199.8	257.7
January	233.8	321.4	244.4	309.1	273.8	257.5	218.1	191.9	205.0	259.4
February	235.4	337.6	252.8	317.7	276.0	259.8	217.7	190.8	206.6	261.3
March	239.7	341.1	259.1	318.2	279.6	266.4	220.9	193.1	211.2	265.3

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

The July index of farm prices of Agricultural Products moved up to a new high, for 1960, of 241.2. This is an increase of almost 2 points from the June estimate of 239.4 and can be attributed largely to a further increase in livestock and egg prices. Lower prices received for potatoes in July, compared with a month earlier, tempered the effects of higher livestock and egg prices in the Maritime Provinces and Quebec.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	July ^{2/} 1960	June ^{2/} 1960	July 1959	1959 ^{3/}	1958	1957
Prince Edward Island	308.4	340.9	261.6	232.7	203.4	197.0
Nova Scotia	255.0	258.5	237.2	226.8	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	303.1	318.1	282.9	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	279.4	279.4	279.1	273.1	274.9	264.8
Ontario	270.2	265.5	265.3	263.7	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	223.8	220.8	242.0	234.2	236.6	222.4
Saskatchewan	195.2	193.1	218.6	209.2	214.5	201.6
Alberta	213.3	211.2	242.4	231.2	236.4	223.6
British Columbia	264.6	265.3	268.8	262.7	263.2	260.2
CANADA ^{1/}	241.2	239.4	250.6	243.0	245.5	234.2

^{1/} Excludes Newfoundland.

^{2/} Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

^{3/} For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1959, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1959 are final prices. Since August 1, 1959, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1959 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of 9.2 cents to be made on the 1958 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P. E. I.	N. S.	N. B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B. C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.9	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	249.8	190.9	221.9	213.9	274.1	270.2	244.9	221.6	242.5	265.6
January	247.7	179.0	221.5	211.0	274.4	266.5	242.5	219.6	240.9	268.3
February	245.0	178.5	218.0	212.1	274.7	260.2	241.0	218.4	240.5	261.9
March	244.7	180.8	220.5	208.7	270.6	260.7	241.1	218.2	240.9	260.7
April	246.9	277.3	226.2	242.0	271.5	261.1	242.0	216.9	243.1	258.4
May	247.9	282.3	234.1	259.8	274.2	261.5	240.4	217.1	242.3	263.9
June	250.6	261.6	237.2	282.9	279.1	265.3	242.0	218.6	242.4	268.8
July	241.9	299.9	237.9	294.6	275.7	264.9	231.3	199.7	223.1	260.9
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November	230.8	232.5	221.4	238.2	269.2	260.2	218.4	190.3	205.3	257.7
December	243.0	232.7	226.8	239.5	273.1	263.7	234.2	209.2	231.2	262.7
AVERAGE	229.4	262.8	229.2	257.1	268.5	258.2	214.7	187.8	201.8	255.6
1960	226.6	251.4	229.3	259.5	269.4	253.1	212.6	185.4	199.1	252.2
January	226.7	263.0	231.4	269.3	266.6	250.6	214.1	187.1	199.8	257.7
February	233.8	321.4	244.4	309.1	273.8	257.5	218.1	191.9	205.0	259.4
March	235.4	337.6	252.8	317.7	276.0	259.8	217.7	190.8	206.6	261.3
April	239.4	340.9	258.5	318.1	279.4	265.5	220.8	193.1	211.2	265.3
May	241.2	308.4	255.0	303.1	279.7	270.2	223.8	195.2	213.3	264.6
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The August index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 235.3 points, 5.9 points lower than the July index of 241.2 points. This decline is seasonal and can be attributed to lower potato and livestock prices. The provincial indexes for the four Eastern provinces were lower, whereas the indexes for the four Western provinces remained relatively stable during the two months of July and August.

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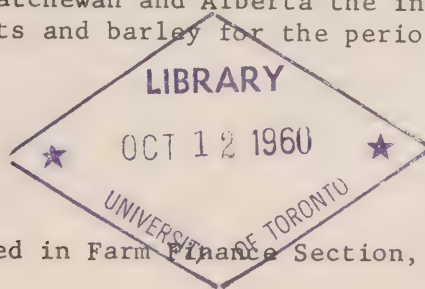
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	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Aug2/ 1960	July2/ 1960	Aug2/ 1959	1959 3/	1958	1957
Prince Edward Island	216.8	308.6	299.9	232.7	203.4	197.0
Nova Scotia	220.1	254.8	237.9	226.8	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	221.1	303.1	294.6	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	270.3	279.2	275.7	273.1	274.9	264.8
Ontario	264.2	270.4	264.8	263.8	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	222.0	223.9	231.3	234.2	236.6	222.4
Saskatchewan	195.5	195.2	199.7	209.2	214.5	201.6
Alberta	215.8	213.2	223.1	231.2	236.4	223.6
British Columbia	264.9	264.5	261.0	262.8	263.2	260.2
CANADA 1/	235.3	241.2	241.8	243.0	245.6	234.2

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2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.
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1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.6	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.9	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	249.8	190.9	221.9	213.9	274.1	270.3	244.9	221.6	242.5	265.6
January	247.7	179.0	221.5	211.0	274.4	266.5	242.5	219.6	240.9	268.3
February	245.1	178.5	218.0	212.1	274.7	260.3	241.0	218.4	240.5	261.9
March	244.7	180.8	220.5	208.7	270.6	260.8	241.1	218.2	240.9	260.7
April	247.0	277.3	226.2	242.0	271.5	261.2	242.0	216.9	243.1	258.4
May	247.9	282.3	234.1	259.8	274.2	261.6	240.4	217.1	242.3	263.9
June	250.5	261.6	237.2	282.9	279.1	265.0	242.0	218.6	242.4	268.9
July	241.8	299.9	237.9	294.6	275.7	264.8	231.3	199.7	223.1	261.0
August	239.9	237.1	230.5	237.4	272.8	264.9	227.0	201.4	225.0	262.5
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October	233.9	241.6	225.7	240.2	269.2	264.1	218.1	192.5	211.2	262.0
November	230.9	232.5	221.4	238.2	269.2	260.4	218.4	190.3	205.3	257.7
December	243.0	232.7	226.8	239.5	273.1	263.8	234.2	209.2	231.2	262.8
AVERAGE	229.7	262.8	229.2	257.1	268.5	258.4	214.7	187.8	202.9	255.6
1960	226.5	251.4	229.3	259.5	269.4	253.3	212.6	185.4	198.7	252.2
January	226.7	263.0	231.4	269.3	266.6	250.8	214.1	187.1	199.7	257.8
February	233.7	321.4	244.9	309.1	273.8	257.7	218.1	191.9	204.5	259.7
March	235.4	337.6	252.8	317.7	276.0	260.0	217.7	190.8	206.6	261.4
April	239.5	340.9	258.5	318.1	279.4	265.7	220.8	193.1	211.2	265.4
May	241.2	308.6	254.8	303.1	279.2	270.4	223.9	195.2	213.2	264.5
June	235.3	215.8	220.1	221.1	270.3	264.2	222.0	195.5	215.8	264.9
July										
August										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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Estimated at 238.0 points, the September index of farm prices of agricultural products increased by almost three points from the revised August estimate of 235.2 points. This increase can be attributed in the main to higher grain, livestock and egg prices. Prairie farmers received higher prices in September than in August for grains and livestock. The higher grain prices in the Prairies can be attributed to the higher average quality of the 1960 crop compared with the previous crop.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Sept. 2/ 1960	Aug. 2/ 1960	Sept. 2/ 1959	1959 3/ 1959	1958	1957
Prince Edward Island	217.2	216.6	237.1	232.7	203.4	197.0
Nova Scotia	222.1	220.4	230.5	226.8	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	219.6	221.2	237.4	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	271.2	269.8	271.8	272.5	274.8	264.8
Ontario	265.5	264.2	264.9	263.8	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	223.4	222.0	227.0	234.2	236.6	222.4
Saskatchewan	200.8	195.6	201.4	209.2	214.5	201.6
Alberta	222.2	215.8	225.0	231.2	236.4	223.6
British Columbia	259.7	263.7	262.0	262.4	263.2	260.2
CANADA 1/	238.0	235.2	239.8	242.9	245.5	234.2

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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Shipments

Table 3 gives details of lumber and tie shipments, by months, for Coast mills and Interior mills separately. Shipments by truck, by rail and waterborne are shown for each Canadian province, to points in the United States, to the United Kingdom and to other countries, for all mills reporting. Total estimated shipments of non-reporting mills are also given. It is to be noted, however, that some lumber originally reported as having been shipped to points in British Columbia may have been re-shipped to other provinces or exported by the purchasers and reported by them also, thereby causing a certain amount of duplication.

Shipments of Coast mills amounted to 232,983 M ft. in August of 1960 and 163,303 M ft. in July, 1960 as compared with 17,699 M ft. in August, 1959 and 79,463 M ft. in the previous month, while the Interior mills shipped 244,438 M ft. and 233,062 M ft. in August, 1960 and 1959 and 217,776 M ft. and 244,372 M ft. in July, 1960 and 1959. Of all shipments actually reported for August, 1960, 35.2 p.c. went to points in Canada, 45.5 p.c. to points in United States, 11.4 p.c. to the United Kingdom and 7.9 p.c. to other countries. Waterborne shipments accounted for 32.4 p.c. of the total, while 40.9 p.c. went by rail, and 26.7 p.c. by truck.

Stocks

Table 4 gives particulars of stocks of lumber and ties at sawmills by months. It distinguishes between stocks sold but not shipped and stocks unsold, and between stocks at Coast and Interior mills, by species. Total stocks at Coast mills in July and August, 1960 amounted to 365,179 M ft. and 362,016 M ft. as compared with 245,024 M ft. and 263,954 M ft. in July and August of 1959. Interior mills stocks increased from 240,167 M ft. in July to 244,199 M ft. in August, 1959 and increased from 348,329 M ft. in July to 375,166 M ft. in August, 1960. Unsold stocks accounted for approximately 39.0 p.c. of the total in August, 1960 as compared with 34.7 p.c. in August, 1959 for Coast mills, while for the Interior mills the percentages were, respectively, 91.5 and 91.0.

Orders on Hand

Table 5 shows the distribution of orders on hand at the end of the months of July and August, 1959 and 1960 for Coast mills only. Similar information is not collected from Interior mills and no attempt has been made to estimate orders on hand of non-reporting mills on the Coast. Destination and mode of shipments are shown in this table, which also gives total lumber purchases reported by some mills. Total orders on hand at the end of August, 1960 amounted to 336,171 M ft. as compared with 296,675 M ft. in August, 1959. Orders on hand at the end of July, 1960 and 1959 amounted to 317,914 M ft. and 272,816 M ft., respectively. Purchases of lumber from other mills amounted to 2,205 M ft. in August, 1960 and 722 M ft. in August, 1959 as compared with 2,709 M ft. in July, 1960 and 1,378 M ft. in July, 1959.

Active Mills Reporting

Table 6 gives the number of active mills reporting each month for the Coast and Interior of British Columbia. The mills reporting for August accounted for 79.2 p.c. of the total production on the basis of the annual returns from 1958 compared with 78.6 p.c. for the previous year. The percentages for July, 1959 and 1960 were 79.3 and 79.2 respectively. It is hoped that the compilation will eventually include all mills in the 500,000 feet and over classification.

The co-operation of the British Columbia Lumber Manufacturers' Association, Interior Lumber Manufacturers' Association and Northern Interior Lumbermen's Association in the collection of these statistics is gratefully acknowledged.

	CANADA	P. E. I.	N. S.	N. B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B. C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	249.8	190.9	221.9	213.9	273.9	270.3	244.9	221.6	242.5	265.6
January	247.7	179.0	221.5	211.0	274.2	266.5	242.5	219.6	240.9	268.3
February	245.0	178.5	218.0	212.1	274.4	260.3	241.0	218.4	240.5	261.9
March	244.7	180.8	220.5	208.7	270.4	260.8	241.1	218.2	240.9	260.3
April	246.9	277.3	226.2	242.0	271.2	261.2	242.0	216.9	243.1	258.0
May	247.9	282.3	234.1	259.8	273.9	261.6	240.4	217.1	242.3	263.4
June	250.3	261.6	237.2	282.9	278.0	265.0	242.0	218.6	242.4	267.9
July	241.7	299.9	237.9	294.6	274.7	264.8	231.3	199.7	223.1	260.5
August	239.8	237.1	230.5	237.4	271.8	264.9	227.0	201.4	225.0	262.0
September	236.4	230.7	226.8	232.9	271.1	265.2	221.3	196.6	216.7	261.9
October	233.8	241.6	225.7	240.2	268.1	264.1	218.1	192.5	211.2	261.5
November	230.7	232.5	221.4	238.2	268.2	260.4	218.4	190.3	205.3	257.4
December	242.9	232.7	226.8	239.5	272.5	263.8	234.2	209.2	231.2	262.4
AVERAGE	229.5	262.8	229.2	257.1	267.5	258.4	214.7	187.8	202.9	255.2
1960	226.4	251.4	229.3	259.5	268.3	253.3	212.6	185.4	198.7	251.9
January	226.6	263.0	231.4	269.3	265.5	250.8	214.1	187.1	199.7	257.4
February	233.6	321.4	244.9	309.1	272.8	257.7	218.1	191.9	204.5	259.8
March	235.3	337.6	252.8	317.7	275.0	260.0	217.7	190.8	206.6	261.5
April	239.4	340.9	258.5	318.1	278.4	265.7	220.8	193.1	211.2	265.6
May	241.1	308.6	254.8	303.1	278.2	270.4	223.9	195.2	213.2	264.6
June	235.2	216.6	220.4	221.2	269.8	264.2	222.0	195.6	215.8	263.7
July	238.0	217.2	222.1	219.6	271.2	265.5	223.4	200.8	222.2	259.7
August										
September										

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for October is estimated at 238.3, fractionally above the revised figure of 238.1 for September and nearly two points above the estimate of 236.4 for October 1959. Compared with the previous month, October prices for this year were lower for livestock, but higher for dairy products, potatoes, and poultry and eggs. Compared with a year ago, the current prices were lower for livestock and potatoes, but higher for grains, and poultry and eggs. The higher prices for grains between October 1959 and October 1960 can be attributed to the higher average quality crop harvested in the Prairie Provinces this year.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Oct. 2/ 1960	Sept. 2/ 1960	Oct. 2/ 1959	1959 3/	1958	1957
Prince Edward Island	220.1	217.2	230.7	232.7	203.4	197.0
Nova Scotia	223.6	222.5	226.8	226.8	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	232.8	220.0	232.9	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	275.6	271.4	271.1	272.5	274.8	264.8
Ontario	266.3	265.7	265.2	263.8	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	223.0	223.4	221.3	234.2	236.6	222.4
Saskatchewan	200.9	200.8	196.6	209.2	214.5	201.6
Alberta	218.2	222.2	216.7	231.2	236.4	223.6
British Columbia	256.8	259.3	261.9	262.4	263.2	260.2
CANADA 1/	238.3	238.1	236.4	242.9	245.5	234.2

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1959, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1959 are final prices. Since August 1, 1959, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1959 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers. Thus the storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are not included. On the other hand, subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included to date.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payment of 9.2 cents made on the 1958 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	249.8	190.9	221.9	213.9	273.9	270.3	244.9	221.6	242.5	265.6
January	247.7	179.0	221.5	211.0	274.2	266.5	242.5	219.6	240.9	268.3
February	245.0	178.5	218.0	212.1	274.4	260.3	241.0	218.4	240.5	261.9
March	244.7	180.8	220.5	208.7	270.4	260.8	241.1	218.2	240.9	260.3
April	246.9	277.3	226.2	242.0	271.2	261.2	242.0	216.9	243.1	258.0
May	247.9	282.3	234.1	259.8	273.9	261.6	240.4	217.1	242.3	263.4
June	250.3	261.6	237.2	282.9	278.0	265.0	242.0	218.6	242.4	267.9
July	241.7	299.9	237.9	294.6	274.7	264.8	231.3	199.7	223.1	260.5
August	239.8	237.1	230.5	237.4	271.8	264.9	227.0	201.4	225.0	262.0
September	236.4	230.7	226.8	232.9	271.1	265.2	221.3	196.6	216.7	261.9
October	233.8	241.6	225.7	240.2	268.1	264.1	218.1	192.5	211.2	261.5
November	230.7	232.5	221.4	238.2	268.2	260.4	218.4	190.3	205.3	257.4
December	242.9	232.7	226.8	239.5	272.5	263.8	234.2	209.2	231.2	262.4
AVERAGE	229.5	262.8	229.2	257.1	267.5	258.4	214.7	187.8	202.9	255.2
1960	226.4	251.4	229.3	259.5	268.3	253.3	212.6	185.4	198.7	251.9
January	226.6	263.0	231.4	269.3	265.5	250.8	214.1	187.1	199.7	257.4
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May	241.1	308.6	254.8	303.1	278.2	270.4	223.9	195.2	213.2	264.6
June	235.2	216.6	220.4	221.2	269.8	264.2	222.0	195.6	215.8	263.7
July	238.1	217.2	222.5	220.0	271.4	265.7	223.4	200.8	222.2	259.3
August	238.3	220.1	223.6	232.8	275.6	266.3	223.0	200.9	218.2	256.8
September										
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for November is estimated at 237.9, less than one point below the revised figure of 238.5 for October and about four points above the estimate of 233.8 for November 1959. Compared with the previous month, November prices for this year were higher for potatoes, dairy products, and poultry and eggs, but lower for livestock and grains; in the case of grains, the reduction in prices was only fractional. Compared with a year ago, November prices were lower for potatoes, but higher for grains, dairy products, livestock, and poultry and eggs; for livestock, only fractional gains were recorded. The fairly substantial increase in grain prices which occurred between November 1959 and November 1960 can be attributed to the higher average quality crop harvested in the Prairie Provinces this year.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Nov. 2/ 1960	Oct. 2/ 1960	Nov. 2/ 1959	1959 3/ 1960	1958	1957
Prince Edward Island	217.6	220.3	241.6	232.7	203.4	197.0
Nova Scotia	222.0	223.1	225.7	226.8	216.8	212.6
New Brunswick	238.0	233.1	240.2	239.5	227.0	219.4
Quebec	271.1	276.1	268.1	272.5	274.8	264.8
Ontario	266.5	266.3	264.1	263.8	266.5	255.4
Manitoba	223.3	223.4	218.1	234.2	236.6	222.4
Saskatchewan	199.4	201.0	192.5	209.2	214.5	201.6
Alberta	219.7	218.3	211.2	231.2	236.4	223.6
British Columbia	258.6	259.7	261.5	262.4	263.2	260.2
CANADA 1/	237.9	238.5	233.8	242.9	245.5	234.2

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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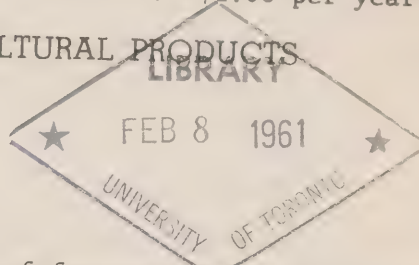
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Between November and December 1960, the index of farm prices of agriculture rose by 2.4 points, from 239.9 to 242.3. Increased prices for livestock more than offset lower prices for potatoes, and poultry and eggs. Compared with a year ago the current December index is up by more than 10 points. Higher prices for grains, livestock, dairy products, and poultry and eggs far more than offset lower prices for potatoes. The fairly substantial increase in grain prices which occurred between December 1959 and December 1960 can be attributed to the higher average quality of the crop harvested in the Prairie Provinces this year.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly Index			Annual Index		
	Dec. 2/ 1960	Nov. 2/ 1960	Dec. 2/ 1959	1960 2/ 1960	1959 3/ 1959	1958
Prince Edward Island	219.3	218.1	232.5	264.8	232.7	203.4
Nova Scotia	223.8	229.0	222.8	237.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	231.7	237.7	238.3	264.6	239.5	227.0
Quebec	278.6	272.4	268.1	272.7	272.4	274.8
Ontario	272.2	269.4	263.2	265.2	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	226.7	223.9	218.4	220.1	234.2	236.6
Saskatchewan	202.7	199.5	190.3	194.2	209.2	214.5
Alberta	220.9	219.7	205.3	211.1	231.2	236.4
British Columbia	275.6	277.2	265.3	270.9	265.2	263.2
CANADA 1/	242.3	239.9	231.9	236.6	243.1	245.5

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.

2/ Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

3/ For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1959, the following points should be considered. Western grain prices used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1959 are final prices. Since August 1, 1959, only initial prices are available for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1959 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payment of 9.2 cents made on the 1958 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS 1/

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	241.7	299.9	237.9	294.7	274.3	264.8	231.3	199.7	223.1	261.0
August	240.1	237.1	231.9	237.4	271.7	264.9	227.0	201.4	225.0	270.0
September	236.8	230.7	228.1	232.9	271.0	265.2	221.3	196.6	216.7	269.8
October	235.0	241.6	227.1	240.3	268.0	266.9	218.1	192.5	211.2	269.4
November	231.9	232.5	222.8	238.3	268.1	263.2	218.4	190.3	205.3	265.3
December	243.1	232.7	227.3	239.5	272.4	264.2	234.2	209.2	231.2	265.2
AVERAGE	230.8	262.8	230.6	257.2	267.4	261.2	214.7	187.8	202.9	263.2
1960	227.6	251.4	230.6	259.6	268.2	256.2	212.6	185.4	198.7	259.8
January	227.8	263.0	232.8	269.3	265.4	253.6	214.1	187.1	199.7	265.4
February	234.8	321.4	246.3	309.2	272.6	260.5	218.1	191.9	204.5	267.8
March	236.5	337.6	254.1	317.7	274.8	262.8	217.7	190.8	206.6	269.5
April	240.6	340.9	259.9	317.5	278.1	268.6	220.8	193.1	211.2	273.3
May	242.2	308.6	256.2	302.5	278.0	273.3	223.9	195.2	213.2	271.9
June	236.4	216.6	221.8	220.6	269.5	267.0	222.0	195.6	215.8	271.1
July	239.9	217.2	228.9	219.8	271.3	268.5	223.4	200.8	222.2	277.8
August	240.2	220.3	229.6	232.9	276.0	269.1	223.4	201.0	218.3	278.3
September	239.9	218.1	229.0	237.7	272.4	269.4	223.9	199.5	219.7	277.2
October	242.3	219.3	223.8	231.7	278.6	272.2	226.7	202.7	220.9	275.6
November	236.6	264.8	237.0	264.6	272.7	265.2	220.1	194.2	211.1	270.9
December										
AVERAGE										

1/ Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 243.6 for the month of January, 1.2 points above the revised index of 242.4 for December. For the most part, this gain can be attributed to higher livestock prices more than offsetting a reduction in prices for poultry products. For the period August 1, 1959 to July 1960 the index has been revised to include the recently announced interim payment of 10 cents made on the 1959 western wheat crop and the final payment of 16.3 cents made on the 1959 western oats crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Jan.(2) 1961	Dec.(2) 1960	Jan.(3) 1960	1960(4)	1959(5)	1958
Prince Edward Island	218.5	219.4	262.7	264.8	232.7	203.4
Nova Scotia	222.2	223.8	230.6	237.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	235.3	231.7	257.2	264.6	239.5	227.0
Quebec	281.1	277.6	267.7	272.6	272.4	274.8
Ontario	272.8	272.5	261.0	265.0	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	227.5	227.0	222.2	224.5	237.3	236.6
Saskatchewan	203.4	202.7	199.0	200.8	213.9	214.5
Alberta	223.4	220.9	213.0	217.0	235.3	236.4
British Columbia	277.8	276.4	263.6	271.2	265.3	263.2
Canada (1)	243.6	242.4	235.7	239.4	245.2	245.5

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats and initial prices for barley.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats, and initial prices for barley for the period January to July; for the remainder of the year, the index is based on initial prices only for these three grains.

(5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats, and initial prices for barley for the period August to December inclusive; for the first seven months of 1959, the index is based on final prices for these three grains.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1959, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1959 are final prices. From August 1, 1959 to July 31, 1960, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats and initial prices for barley. Since August 1, 1960 only initial prices are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1960 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the interim payment of 10 cents made on the 1959 western wheat crop, and the final payment of 16.3 cents per bushel made on the 1959 western oats crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	246.6	299.9	237.9	294.7	274.3	264.8	238.8	210.9	233.2	261.3
August	245.1	237.1	231.9	237.4	271.7	264.9	234.6	212.6	235.0	270.4
September	241.7	230.7	228.1	232.9	271.0	265.2	228.9	207.8	226.8	270.2
October	239.9	241.6	227.1	240.3	268.0	266.9	225.6	203.7	221.3	269.8
November	236.9	232.5	222.8	238.3	268.1	263.2	225.9	201.5	215.3	265.7
December	245.2	232.7	227.3	239.5	272.4	264.2	237.3	213.9	235.3	265.3
AVERAGE										
1960	235.7	262.7	230.6	257.2	267.7	261.0	222.2	199.0	213.0	263.6
January	232.5	251.4	230.6	259.5	268.2	255.9	220.1	196.5	208.7	260.2
February	232.7	263.0	232.8	269.4	265.4	253.4	221.6	198.3	209.8	265.8
March	239.7	321.4	246.3	309.2	272.5	260.3	225.6	203.1	214.5	268.2
April	241.3	337.6	254.1	317.7	274.8	262.5	225.3	202.0	216.6	269.8
May	245.4	341.0	259.9	317.5	278.2	268.2	228.4	204.3	221.3	273.7
June	247.1	308.6	256.2	302.5	278.0	272.9	231.4	206.4	223.3	272.2
July	236.3	216.5	221.8	220.5	269.5	266.7	222.0	195.6	215.8	271.1
August	239.8	217.2	228.9	219.8	271.4	268.3	223.4	200.9	222.1	277.8
September	240.1	220.3	229.5	232.9	276.0	268.8	223.4	201.1	218.2	278.3
October	239.8	218.1	228.9	237.8	272.4	269.1	223.9	199.6	219.6	277.2
November	242.4	219.4	223.8	231.7	277.6	272.5	227.0	202.7	220.9	276.4
December	239.4	264.8	237.0	264.6	272.6	265.0	224.5	200.8	217.0	271.2
AVERAGE										
1961	243.6	218.5	222.2	235.3	281.1	272.8	227.5	203.4	223.4	277.8
January										

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.



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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 244.2 for the month of February, slightly less than one point above the revised estimate of 243.4 for January. This represents the third consecutive month since November 1960 that the index has risen. A rise in prices for livestock between January and February more than offset slightly lower prices for dairy products, potatoes, and poultry and eggs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Feb. (2) 1961	Jan. (2) 1961	Feb. (3) 1960	1960 (4)	1959 (5)	1958
Prince Edward Island	214.8	218.7	251.4	264.8	232.7	203.4
Nova Scotia	225.8	222.3	230.6	237.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	232.0	235.2	259.5	264.6	239.5	227.0
Quebec	283.9	281.3	268.2	272.6	272.4	274.8
Ontario	272.5	271.9	255.9	265.0	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	227.6	227.5	220.1	224.5	237.3	236.6
Saskatchewan	203.9	203.4	196.5	200.8	213.9	214.5
Alberta	225.5	223.4	208.7	217.0	235.3	236.4
British Columbia	274.7	276.9	260.2	271.2	265.3	263.2
Canada (1)	244.2	243.4	232.5	239.4	245.2	245.5

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats and initial prices for barley.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats, and initial prices for barley for the period January to July; for the remainder of the year, the index is based on initial prices only for these three grains.

(5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats, and initial prices for barley for the period August to December inclusive; for the first seven months of 1959, the index is based on final prices for these three grains.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1960 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the interim payment of 10 cents made on the 1959 western wheat crop, and the final payment of 16.3 cents per bushel made on the 1959 western oats crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959 August	246.6	299.9	237.9	294.7	274.3	264.8	238.8	210.9	233.2	261.3
September ..	245.1	237.1	231.9	237.4	271.7	264.9	234.6	212.6	235.0	270.4
October	241.7	230.7	228.1	232.9	271.0	265.2	228.9	207.8	226.8	270.2
November ..	239.9	241.6	227.1	240.3	268.0	266.9	225.6	203.7	221.3	269.8
December ..	236.9	232.5	222.8	238.3	268.1	263.2	225.9	201.5	215.3	265.7
AVERAGE ...	245.2	232.7	227.3	239.5	272.4	264.2	237.3	213.9	235.3	265.3
1960 January ...	235.7	262.7	230.6	257.2	267.7	261.0	222.2	199.0	213.0	263.6
February ..	232.5	251.4	230.6	259.5	268.2	255.9	220.1	196.5	208.7	260.2
March	232.7	263.0	232.8	269.4	265.4	253.4	221.6	198.3	209.8	265.8
April	239.7	321.4	246.3	309.2	272.5	260.3	225.6	203.1	214.5	268.2
May	241.3	337.6	254.1	317.7	274.8	262.5	225.3	202.0	216.6	269.8
June	245.4	341.0	259.9	317.5	278.2	268.2	228.4	204.3	221.3	273.7
July	247.1	308.6	256.2	302.5	278.0	272.9	231.4	206.4	223.3	272.2
August	236.3	216.5	221.8	220.5	269.5	266.7	222.0	195.6	215.8	271.1
September ..	239.8	217.2	228.9	219.8	271.4	268.3	223.4	200.9	222.1	277.8
October	240.1	220.3	229.5	232.9	276.0	268.8	223.4	201.1	218.2	278.3
November ..	239.8	218.1	228.9	237.8	272.4	269.1	223.9	199.6	219.6	277.2
December ..	242.4	219.4	223.8	231.7	277.6	272.5	227.0	202.7	220.9	276.4
AVERAGE ...	239.4	264.8	237.0	264.6	272.6	265.0	224.5	200.8	217.0	271.2
1961 January ...	243.4	218.7	222.3	235.2	281.3	271.9	227.5	203.4	223.4	276.9
February ..	244.2	214.8	225.8	232.0	283.9	272.5	227.6	203.9	225.5	274.7

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.



INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

The upward trend of the farm price index during the three month period, December to February, was reversed in March when it declined from 244.2 in February to 242.2. The decline can be attributed almost entirely to lower prices for live-stock and potatoes. Little or no change was recorded for the prices of the remaining items included in the index.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Mar. (2) 1961	Feb. (2) 1961	Mar. (3) 1960	1960 (4)	1959 (5)	1958
Prince Edward Island	200.9	214.3	263.0	264.8	232.7	203.4
Nova Scotia	222.8	225.6	232.8	237.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	227.8	232.3	269.4	264.6	239.5	227.0
Quebec	277.8	283.0	265.4	272.6	272.4	274.8
Ontario	270.6	272.9	253.4	265.0	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	227.7	227.2	221.6	224.5	237.3	236.6
Saskatchewan	203.3	203.9	198.3	200.8	213.9	214.5
Alberta	224.0	225.5	209.8	217.0	235.3	236.4
British Columbia	274.0	274.5	265.8	271.2	265.3	263.2
Canada (1)	242.2	244.2	232.7	239.4	245.2	245.5

- (1) Excludes Newfoundland.
- (2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- (3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats and initial prices for barley.
- (4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats, and initial prices for barley for the period January to July; for the remainder of the year, the index is based on initial prices only for these three grains.
- (5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats, and initial prices for barley for the period August to December inclusive; for the first seven months of 1959, the index is based on final prices for these three grains.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1959, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1959 are final prices. From August 1, 1959 to July 31, 1960, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices plus interim payments for wheat, final prices for oats and initial prices for barley. Since August 1, 1960 only initial prices are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1960 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the interim payment of 10 cents made on the 1959 western wheat crop, and the final payment of 16.3 cents per bushel made on the 1959 western oats crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959 August	246.6	299.9	237.9	294.7	274.3	264.8	238.8	210.9	233.2	261.3
September ..	245.1	237.1	231.9	237.4	271.7	264.9	234.6	212.6	235.0	270.4
October	241.7	230.7	228.1	232.9	271.0	265.2	228.9	207.8	226.8	270.2
November ..	239.9	241.6	227.1	240.3	268.0	266.9	225.6	203.7	221.3	269.8
December ..	236.9	232.5	222.8	238.3	268.1	263.2	225.9	201.5	215.3	265.7
AVERAGE ...	245.2	232.7	227.3	239.5	272.4	264.2	237.3	213.9	235.3	265.3
1960 January ...	235.7	262.7	230.6	257.2	267.7	261.0	222.2	199.0	213.0	263.6
February ..	232.5	251.4	230.6	259.5	268.2	255.9	220.1	196.5	208.7	260.2
March	232.7	263.0	232.8	269.4	265.4	253.4	221.6	198.3	209.8	265.8
April	239.7	321.4	246.3	309.2	272.5	260.3	225.6	203.1	214.5	268.2
May	241.3	337.6	254.1	317.7	274.8	262.5	225.3	202.0	216.6	269.8
June	245.4	341.0	259.9	317.5	278.2	268.2	228.4	204.3	221.3	273.7
July	247.1	308.6	256.2	302.5	278.0	272.9	231.4	206.4	223.3	272.2
August	236.3	216.5	221.8	220.5	269.5	266.7	222.0	195.6	215.8	271.1
September ..	239.8	217.2	228.9	219.8	271.4	268.3	223.4	200.9	222.1	277.8
October ...	240.1	220.3	229.5	232.9	276.0	268.8	223.4	201.1	218.2	278.3
November ..	239.8	218.1	228.9	237.8	272.4	269.1	223.9	199.6	219.6	277.2
December ..	242.4	219.4	223.8	231.7	277.6	272.5	227.0	202.7	220.9	276.4
AVERAGE ...	239.4	264.8	237.0	264.6	272.6	265.0	224.5	200.8	217.0	271.2
1961 January ...	243.4	218.7	222.3	235.2	281.3	271.9	227.5	203.4	223.4	276.9
February ..	244.2	214.3	225.6	232.3	283.0	272.9	227.2	203.9	225.5	274.5
March	242.2	200.9	222.8	227.8	277.8	270.6	227.7	203.3	224.0	274.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 237.8 for April, 3.6 points below the revised estimate of 241.4 for March. This decline was due almost entirely to lower prices for livestock and poultry products. The index has been revised for the period August 1959 to July 1960 to take into account the recently announced final payment of 2.1 cents per bushel made on the 1959 Prairie barley crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	April(2) 1961	Mar.(2) 1961	April(3) 1960	1960(4)	1959(5)	1958
Prince Edward Island ...	211.1	202.5	323.2	266.5	234.4	203.4
Nova Scotia	222.4	223.0	246.3	237.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	226.3	227.9	309.2	264.6	239.5	227.0
Quebec	269.8	277.1	272.3	272.5	272.4	274.8
Ontario	262.5	268.3	260.3	264.5	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	225.5	227.5	226.1	224.8	237.5	236.6
Saskatchewan	201.1	203.2	203.2	200.8	214.0	214.5
Alberta	222.0	224.2	215.9	218.1	235.6	236.4
British Columbia	271.4	273.4	268.2	271.2	265.3	263.2
Canada(1)	237.8	241.4	240.0	239.5	245.3	245.5

- (1) Excludes Newfoundland.
- (2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- (3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat and on final prices for oats and barley.
- (4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat and on final prices for oats and barley for the period January to July; for the remainder of the year, the index is based on initial prices only for these three grains.
- (5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat and on final prices for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive; for the first seven months of 1959, the index is based on final prices for these three grains.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1959, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1959 are final prices. From August 1, 1959 to July 31, 1960, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices plus interim payments for wheat and final prices for oats and barley. Since August 1, 1960 only initial prices are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1960 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payment of 2.1 cents per bushel made on the 1959 western barley crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base ~~method~~ aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighed by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959 August	246.7	301.7	237.9	294.7	274.3	264.8	239.3	211.0	233.3	261.3
September ..	245.2	238.8	231.9	237.4	271.7	264.9	235.1	212.7	235.1	270.4
October	241.8	232.5	228.1	232.9	271.0	265.2	229.4	207.8	226.9	270.2
November ...	240.3	243.3	227.1	240.3	268.0	266.9	226.1	203.8	227.7	259.7
December ...	237.2	234.2	222.8	238.3	268.1	263.2	226.4	201.6	216.7	265.7
AVERAGE	245.3	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.4	264.2	237.5	214.0	235.6	265.3
1960 January	236.0	264.4	230.6	257.2	267.7	261.0	222.7	199.1	214.3	263.6
February ...	232.8	253.1	230.6	259.5	268.2	255.9	220.6	196.6	210.1	260.2
March	233.0	264.8	232.8	269.4	265.3	253.4	222.1	198.4	211.1	265.8
April	240.0	323.2	246.3	309.2	272.3	260.3	226.1	203.2	215.9	268.2
May	241.7	339.4	254.1	317.7	274.7	262.5	225.8	202.1	218.0	269.8
June	245.7	342.7	259.9	317.5	278.0	268.2	228.9	204.4	222.6	273.7
July	247.4	310.3	256.2	302.5	277.8	272.9	231.9	206.5	224.6	272.2
August	236.5	218.3	221.8	220.5	269.4	266.7	222.0	195.6	217.0	271.1
September ..	239.7	219.0	228.9	219.8	271.3	267.0	223.4	200.9	223.4	277.8
October	240.0	222.1	229.5	232.9	275.9	267.5	223.4	201.1	219.4	278.3
November ...	239.5	219.9	228.9	237.8	272.2	267.7	223.9	199.6	219.9	277.2
December ...	242.0	221.1	223.8	231.7	277.4	271.1	227.0	202.7	221.1	276.4
AVERAGE	239.5	266.5	237.0	264.6	272.5	264.5	224.8	200.8	218.1	271.2
1961 January	243.0	220.5	222.3	235.2	281.2	270.5	227.5	203.4	223.6	276.9
February ...	243.8	216.0	225.6	232.3	282.8	271.5	227.2	203.9	225.7	274.5
March	241.4	202.5	223.0	227.9	277.1	268.3	227.5	203.2	224.2	273.4
April	237.8	211.1	222.4	226.3	269.8	262.5	225.5	201.1	222.0	271.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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A preliminary estimate places the index of farm prices of agricultural products for May at 236.3, down by 1.1 points from the revised figure of 237.4 for April. Contributing to this decline were lower prices for livestock, potatoes and poultry products. Grain prices remained almost unchanged. The announcement concerning the final payment on the 1959 wheat crop was made subsequent to the calculation of the index for May and consequently will not be reflected in the index until it is prepared for the month of June.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	May(2) 1961	April(2) 1961	May(3) 1960	1960(4)	1959(5)	1958
Prince Edward Island ...	189.6	211.0	339.4	266.5	234.4	203.4
Nova Scotia	220.5	222.3	254.1	237.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	222.7	226.2	317.7	264.6	239.5	227.0
Quebec	267.6	268.6	274.7	272.5	272.4	274.8
Ontario	262.7	262.0	262.5	264.5	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	223.1	225.3	225.8	224.8	237.5	236.6
Saskatchewan	199.5	201.1	202.1	200.8	214.0	214.5
Alberta	220.7	222.0	218.0	218.1	235.6	236.4
British Columbia	269.1	270.8	269.8	271.2	265.3	263.2
Canada(1)	236.3	237.4	241.7	239.5	245.3	245.5

- (1) Excludes Newfoundland.
- (2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- (3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat and on final prices for oats and barley.
- (4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat and on final prices for oats and barley for the period January to July; for the remainder of the year, the index is based on initial prices only for these three grains.
- (5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the index is based on initial prices plus interim payments for wheat and on final prices for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive; for the first seven months of 1959, the index is based on final prices for these three grains.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1960 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payment of 2.1 cents per bushel made on the 1959 western barley crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)

(1935-39=100)

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	246.7	301.7	237.9	294.7	274.3	264.8	239.3	211.0	233.3	261.3
August	245.2	238.8	231.9	237.4	271.7	264.9	235.1	212.7	235.1	270.4
September	241.8	232.5	228.1	232.9	271.0	265.2	229.4	207.8	226.9	270.2
October	240.3	243.3	227.1	240.3	268.0	266.9	226.1	203.8	222.6	269.8
November	237.2	234.2	222.8	238.3	268.1	263.2	226.4	201.6	216.7	265.7
December	245.3	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.4	264.2	237.5	214.0	235.6	265.3
AVERAGE										
1960	236.0	264.4	230.6	257.2	267.7	261.0	222.7	199.1	214.3	263.6
January	232.8	253.1	230.6	259.5	268.2	255.9	220.6	196.6	210.1	260.2
February	233.0	264.8	232.8	269.4	265.3	253.4	222.1	198.4	211.1	265.8
March	240.0	323.2	246.3	309.2	272.3	260.3	226.1	203.2	215.9	268.2
April	241.7	339.4	254.1	317.7	274.7	262.5	225.8	202.1	218.0	269.8
May	245.7	342.7	259.9	317.5	278.0	268.2	228.9	204.4	222.6	273.7
June	247.4	310.3	256.2	302.5	277.8	272.9	231.9	206.5	224.6	272.2
July	236.5	218.3	221.8	220.5	269.4	266.7	222.0	195.6	217.0	271.1
August	239.7	219.0	228.9	219.8	271.3	267.0	223.4	200.9	223.4	277.8
September	240.0	222.1	229.5	232.9	275.9	267.5	223.4	201.1	219.4	278.3
October	239.5	219.9	228.9	237.8	272.2	267.7	223.9	199.6	219.9	277.2
November	242.0	221.1	223.8	231.7	277.4	271.1	227.0	202.7	221.1	276.4
December	239.5	266.5	237.0	264.6	272.5	264.5	224.8	200.8	218.1	271.2
AVERAGE										
1961	243.0	220.5	222.3	235.2	281.2	270.5	227.5	203.4	223.6	276.9
January	243.8	216.0	225.6	232.3	282.8	271.5	227.2	203.9	225.7	274.5
February	241.4	202.5	223.0	227.9	277.1	268.3	227.5	203.2	224.2	273.4
March	237.4	211.0	222.3	226.2	268.6	262.0	225.3	201.1	222.0	270.8
April	236.3	189.6	220.5	222.7	267.6	262.7	223.1	199.5	220.7	269.1
May										

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products which declined steadily from 243.8 in February to 236.3 in May turned upward in June. Between May and June it gained 2.5 points to reach 238.8 as a result of higher prices for livestock, potatoes, and poultry and eggs. The index has been revised for the period August 1959 to July 1960 inclusive to take into account the final payment of 12 cents per bushel made recently on the 1959 western wheat crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	June(2) 1961	May(2) 1961	June 1960	1960(3)	1959	1958
Prince Edward Island ...	222.6	189.4	342.7	266.5	234.4	203.4
Nova Scotia	227.9	219.5	259.9	237.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	236.1	222.1	317.5	264.6	239.5	227.0
Quebec	273.1	267.3	278.0	272.5	272.4	274.8
Ontario	266.0	263.0	268.2	264.5	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	223.1	223.0	236.2	229.1	240.6	236.6
Saskatchewan	199.0	199.5	215.6	207.4	218.6	214.5
Alberta	221.0	220.7	232.3	223.8	239.6	236.4
British Columbia	272.4	268.9	274.0	271.4	265.5	263.2
Canada(1)	238.8	236.3	250.6	242.4	247.3	245.5

- 1) Excludes Newfoundland.
- 2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- 3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1960, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1950 are final prices. From August 1, 1960 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1960 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payment of 12.0 cents per bushel made on the 1959 western wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	251.6	301.7	237.9	294.7	274.3	264.8	246.6	222.2	243.0	261.7
August	250.1	238.8	231.9	237.4	271.7	264.9	242.4	224.0	244.8	270.7
September	246.7	232.5	228.1	232.9	271.0	265.2	236.7	219.1	236.6	270.6
October	245.1	243.3	227.1	240.3	268.0	266.9	233.5	215.0	232.3	270.2
November	242.1	234.2	222.8	238.3	268.1	263.2	233.8	212.8	226.4	266.1
December	247.3	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.4	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
AVERAGE										
1960	240.9	264.4	230.6	257.2	267.7	261.0	230.1	210.4	224.3	264.0
January	237.7	253.1	230.6	259.5	268.2	255.9	228.0	207.9	219.8	260.6
February	237.9	264.8	232.8	269.4	265.3	253.4	229.5	209.6	220.9	266.1
March	244.9	323.2	246.3	309.2	272.3	260.3	233.5	214.5	225.6	268.5
April	246.5	339.4	254.1	317.7	274.7	262.5	233.2	213.3	227.7	270.2
May	250.6	342.7	259.9	317.5	278.0	268.2	236.2	215.6	232.3	274.0
June	252.3	310.3	256.2	302.5	277.8	272.9	239.3	217.7	234.3	272.6
July	236.5	218.3	221.8	220.5	269.4	266.7	222.0	195.6	217.0	271.1
August	239.7	219.0	228.9	219.8	271.3	267.0	223.4	200.9	223.4	277.8
September	240.0	222.1	229.5	232.9	275.9	267.5	223.4	201.1	219.4	278.3
October	239.5	219.9	228.9	237.8	272.2	267.7	223.9	199.6	219.9	277.2
November	242.0	221.1	223.8	231.7	277.4	271.1	227.0	202.7	221.1	276.4
December	242.4	266.5	237.0	264.6	272.5	264.5	229.1	207.4	223.8	271.4
AVERAGE										
1961	243.0	220.5	222.3	235.2	281.2	270.5	227.5	203.4	223.6	276.9
January	243.8	216.0	225.6	232.3	282.8	271.5	227.2	203.9	225.7	274.5
February	241.4	202.5	223.0	227.9	277.1	268.3	227.5	203.2	224.2	273.4
March	237.4	211.0	222.3	226.2	268.6	262.0	225.3	201.1	222.0	270.8
April	236.3	189.4	219.5	222.1	267.3	263.0	223.0	199.5	220.7	268.9
May	238.8	222.6	227.9	236.1	273.1	266.0	223.1	199.0	221.0	272.4
June										

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

(1935-39=100)

The index of farm prices of agricultural products, estimated at 238.8 for July, was practically unchanged from the revised figure of 238.7 for June. Lower prices were recorded for potatoes, and cattle and calves. On the other hand higher prices were reported for grains, hogs, and poultry and eggs. On a provincial basis, the index of farm prices was down in the Maritimes, remained practically unchanged in the Prairies and was up slightly in the remaining provinces.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	July(2) 1961	June(2) 1961	July 1960	1960(3)	1959	1958
Prince Edward Island ...	200.8	222.5	310.3	266.5	234.4	203.4
Nova Scotia	224.5	227.4	256.2	237.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	226.8	235.6	302.5	264.6	239.5	227.0
Quebec	274.6	273.6	277.8	272.5	272.4	274.8
Ontario	267.7	265.7	272.9	264.5	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	223.1	223.1	239.3	229.1	240.6	236.6
Saskatchewan	198.8	198.8	217.7	207.4	218.6	214.5
Alberta	220.0	220.9	234.3	223.8	239.6	236.4
British Columbia	273.2	272.5	272.6	271.4	265.5	263.2
Canada(1)	238.8	238.7	252.3	242.4	247.3	245.5

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1960, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1960 are final prices. From August 1, 1960 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1960 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payment of 12.0 cents per bushel made on the 1959 western wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete data become available.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)

(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	251.6	301.7	237.9	294.7	274.3	264.8	246.6	222.2	243.0	261.7
August	250.1	238.8	231.9	237.4	271.7	264.9	242.4	224.0	244.8	270.7
September	246.7	232.5	228.1	232.9	271.0	265.2	236.7	219.1	236.6	270.6
October	245.1	243.3	227.1	240.3	268.0	266.9	233.5	215.0	232.3	270.2
November	242.1	234.2	222.8	238.3	268.1	263.2	233.8	212.8	226.4	266.1
December	247.3	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.4	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
AVERAGE										
1960	240.9	264.4	230.6	257.2	267.7	261.0	230.1	210.4	224.3	264.0
January	237.7	253.1	230.6	259.5	268.2	255.9	228.0	207.9	219.8	260.6
February	237.9	264.8	232.8	269.4	265.3	253.4	229.5	209.6	220.9	266.1
March	244.9	323.2	246.3	309.2	272.3	260.3	233.5	214.5	225.6	268.5
April	246.5	339.4	254.1	317.7	274.7	262.5	233.2	213.3	227.7	270.2
May	250.6	342.7	259.9	317.5	278.0	268.2	236.2	215.6	232.3	274.0
June	252.3	310.3	256.2	302.5	277.8	272.9	239.3	217.7	234.3	272.6
July	236.5	218.3	221.8	220.5	269.4	266.7	222.0	195.6	217.0	271.1
August	239.7	219.0	228.9	219.8	271.3	267.0	223.4	200.9	223.4	277.8
September	240.0	222.1	229.5	232.9	275.9	267.5	223.4	201.1	219.4	278.3
October	239.5	219.9	228.9	237.8	272.2	267.7	223.9	199.6	219.9	277.2
November	242.0	221.1	223.8	231.7	277.4	271.1	227.0	202.7	221.1	276.4
December	242.4	266.5	237.0	264.6	272.5	264.5	229.1	207.4	223.8	271.4
AVERAGE										
1961	243.0	220.5	222.3	235.2	281.2	270.5	227.5	203.4	223.6	276.9
January	243.8	216.0	225.6	232.3	282.8	271.5	227.2	203.9	225.7	274.5
February	241.4	202.5	223.0	227.9	277.1	268.3	227.5	203.2	224.2	273.4
March	237.4	211.0	222.3	226.2	268.6	262.0	225.3	201.1	222.0	270.8
April	236.3	189.4	219.5	222.1	267.3	263.0	223.0	199.5	220.7	268.9
May	238.7	222.5	227.4	235.6	273.6	265.7	223.1	198.8	220.9	272.5
June	238.8	200.8	224.5	226.8	274.6	267.7	223.1	198.8	220.0	273.2
July										

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.



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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products, estimated at 237.3 for August, declined from 238.6 for July, a difference of 1.3 points. The greatest change occurred in the price of potatoes and this was accompanied by minor reductions in livestock and poultry. Slight increases, of less than one point, took place in grains and dairy products. Provincially, the only sizable increase in the index took place in Prince Edward Island. Minor rises occurred in New Brunswick, Manitoba and Alberta and slight declines were registered in all the other five provinces.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)

(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Aug.(2) 1961	July(2) 1961	Aug.(2) 1960	1960(3)	1959	1958
Prince Edward Island ...	213.5	200.6	218.3	266.5	234.4	203.4
Nova Scotia	219.8	223.7	221.8	237.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	227.8	226.6	220.5	264.6	239.5	227.0
Quebec	271.3	276.2	269.8	273.0	272.7	274.8
Ontario	260.4	266.7	266.6	264.4	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	226.2	223.0	222.0	229.1	240.6	236.6
Saskatchewan	200.8	198.9	195.6	207.4	218.6	214.5
Alberta	222.9	220.0	217.0	223.8	239.6	236.4
British Columbia	266.9	271.1	270.4	271.0	265.5	263.2
Canada	237.3	238.6	236.5	242.4	247.4	245.5

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1960, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1960 are final prices. From August 1, 1960 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1960 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	251.6	301.7	237.9	294.7	274.9	264.8	246.6	222.2	243.0	261.7
September	250.1	238.8	231.9	237.4	272.4	264.9	242.4	224.0	244.8	270.7
October	246.8	232.5	228.1	232.9	271.7	265.2	236.7	219.1	236.6	270.6
November	245.2	243.3	227.1	240.3	268.7	266.8	233.5	215.0	232.3	270.2
December	242.1	234.2	222.8	238.3	268.8	263.1	233.8	212.8	226.4	265.9
AVERAGE	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	240.9	264.4	230.6	257.2	268.3	260.8	230.1	210.4	224.3	263.9
January	237.7	253.1	230.6	259.5	268.9	255.8	228.0	207.9	219.8	260.5
February	237.9	264.8	232.8	269.4	265.9	253.2	229.5	209.6	220.9	266.0
March	244.9	323.2	246.3	309.2	273.0	260.1	233.5	214.5	225.6	268.2
April	246.6	339.4	254.1	317.7	275.4	262.4	233.2	213.3	227.7	269.8
May	250.6	342.7	259.9	317.5	278.4	268.2	236.2	215.6	232.3	273.6
June	252.3	310.3	256.2	302.5	278.3	273.0	239.3	217.7	234.3	272.2
July	236.5	218.3	221.8	220.5	269.8	266.6	222.0	195.6	217.0	270.4
August	239.7	219.0	228.9	219.8	271.7	266.9	223.4	200.9	223.4	277.1
September	240.0	222.1	229.5	232.9	276.3	267.4	223.4	201.1	219.4	277.6
October	239.4	219.9	228.9	237.8	272.7	267.3	223.9	199.6	219.9	276.5
November	241.9	221.1	223.8	231.7	277.8	270.7	227.0	202.7	221.1	275.7
December	242.4	266.5	237.0	264.6	273.0	264.4	229.1	207.4	223.8	271.0
AVERAGE	242.9	220.5	222.3	235.2	281.6	270.1	227.5	203.4	223.6	276.2
1961	243.7	216.0	225.6	232.3	283.2	271.1	227.2	203.9	225.7	273.8
January	241.3	202.5	223.0	227.9	277.5	267.9	227.5	203.2	224.2	272.7
February	237.3	211.0	222.3	226.2	269.0	261.6	225.3	201.1	222.0	269.5
March	236.2	189.4	219.5	222.1	267.7	262.6	223.0	199.5	220.7	267.7
April	238.6	222.5	227.4	235.6	274.1	265.2	223.1	198.8	220.9	271.3
May	238.6	200.6	223.7	226.6	276.2	266.7	223.0	198.9	220.0	271.1
June	237.3	213.5	219.8	227.8	271.3	260.4	226.2	200.8	222.9	266.9
July										
August										

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The estimated index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada increased in September to 241.0 from 237.9 for the month of August - a rise of 3.1 points. Increases, varying from 3.0 to 8.2 points, were recorded for all provinces except the Maritime Provinces. The gains are accounted for largely by the higher prices received from the sale of livestock and poultry and eggs. Major reductions, from the previous month, occurred in Prince Edward Island where the number fell from 213.9 to 188.4, a decrease of 25.5 points; in New Brunswick a fall occurred from 228.4 to 207.2, a decrease of 21.2 points; and in Nova Scotia the fall was much less severe, from 223.8 to 216.1, a decrease of 7.7 points. The sizeable decrease in the price of potatoes was the main contributor to the reduction of the index in Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Sept. (2) 1961	Aug. (2) 1961	Sept. (2) 1960	1960(3)	1959	1958
Prince Edward Island ..	188.4	213.9	219.0	266.5	234.4	203.4
Nova Scotia	216.1	223.8	232.2	238.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	207.2	228.4	219.8	264.7	239.5	227.0
Quebec	277.3	274.3	272.4	273.4	272.7	274.8
Ontario	264.8	260.3	267.0	264.4	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	229.2	226.2	223.4	229.1	240.6	236.6
Saskatchewan	204.2	200.8	200.9	207.4	218.6	214.5
Alberta	227.2	222.9	223.4	223.8	239.6	236.4
British Columbia	280.4	272.2	278.2	271.4	265.5	263.2
Canada	241.0	237.9	239.9	242.4	247.4	245.5

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1960, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1960 are final prices. From August 1, 1960 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indices for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1960 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	251.7	301.7	237.9	294.7	274.9	264.8	246.6	222.2	243.0	261.7
August	250.1	238.8	231.9	237.4	272.4	265.0	242.4	224.0	244.8	270.7
September	246.8	232.5	228.1	232.9	271.7	265.2	236.7	219.1	236.6	270.6
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November	242.1	234.2	222.8	238.3	268.8	263.1	233.8	212.8	226.4	265.9
December	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
AVERAGE	240.9	264.4	230.6	257.2	268.3	260.9	230.1	210.4	224.3	263.9
1960	237.7	253.1	230.6	259.5	268.9	255.8	228.0	207.9	219.8	260.5
January	237.9	264.8	232.8	269.4	265.9	253.3	229.5	209.6	220.9	266.0
February	244.9	323.2	246.3	309.2	273.0	260.2	233.5	214.5	225.6	268.2
March	246.6	339.4	254.1	317.7	275.4	262.4	233.2	213.3	227.7	269.8
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June	236.5	218.3	221.8	220.9	270.4	266.3	222.0	195.6	217.0	271.2
July	239.9	219.0	232.2	219.8	272.4	267.0	223.4	200.9	223.4	278.2
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November	242.4	266.5	238.0	264.7	273.4	264.4	229.1	207.4	223.8	271.4
December	243.1	220.5	225.5	235.1	282.3	270.2	227.5	203.4	223.6	277.2
AVERAGE	243.8	216.0	228.8	232.2	283.2	271.2	227.2	203.9	225.7	274.9
1961	241.6	202.5	226.2	227.9	278.3	268.0	227.5	203.2	224.2	273.7
January	237.5	211.0	225.5	226.1	269.7	261.6	225.3	201.1	222.0	270.5
February	236.4	189.4	222.7	222.1	268.4	262.7	223.0	199.5	220.7	268.7
March	239.0	222.5	230.6	235.9	276.3	265.3	223.1	198.8	220.9	272.1
April	239.2	200.6	226.9	226.9	278.4	266.8	223.0	198.9	220.0	275.6
May	237.9	213.9	223.8	228.4	274.3	260.3	226.2	200.8	222.9	272.2
June	241.0	188.4	216.1	207.2	277.3	264.8	229.2	204.2	227.2	280.4

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada, estimated at 241.0 for October, remained unchanged from the previous month. Small increases in the prices of livestock and dairy products offset a sharp decline in potato prices in Eastern Canada. With the exception of Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, changes in the provincial indexes varied from less than two points down in Nova Scotia, Quebec and Alberta to less than two points up in Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. The more significant decreases which occurred in Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, came as a result of a sharp drop in potato prices.

The index has been revised for the period August 1960 to July 1961 inclusive to include the recently announced interim payment of 10 cents made on the 1960 Prairie wheat crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Oct.(2) 1961	Sept.(2) 1961	Oct.(3) 1960	1960(4)	1959	1958
Prince Edward Island	173.9	188.3	222.1	266.5	234.4	203.4
Nova Scotia	215.4	216.4	23.7	238.0	227.3	216.8
New Brunswick	203.2	207.3	232.9	264.7	239.5	227.0
Quebec	275.8	277.0	277.0	273.4	272.7	274.8
Ontario	265.6	264.8	267.5	264.4	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	230.6	229.3	229.6	231.7	240.6	236.6
Saskatchewan	205.1	204.4	210.4	211.3	218.6	214.5
Alberta	226.4	227.3	227.5	227.2	239.6	236.4
British Columbia	282.4	280.6	278.9	271.6	265.5	263.2
Canada	241.0	241.0	244.3	244.2	247.4	245.5

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(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and on initial prices only for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
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Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960										
January	240.9	264.4	230.6	257.2	268.3	260.9	230.1	210.4	224.3	263.9
February	237.7	253.1	230.6	259.5	268.9	255.8	228.0	207.9	219.8	260.5
March	237.9	264.8	232.8	269.4	265.9	253.3	229.5	209.6	220.9	266.0
April	244.9	323.2	246.3	309.2	273.0	260.2	233.5	214.5	225.6	268.2
May	246.6	339.4	254.1	317.7	275.4	262.4	233.2	213.3	227.7	269.8
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November	243.7	219.9	232.2	237.8	273.4	267.4	230.1	209.0	228.0	277.9
December	246.2	221.1	227.0	231.6	278.5	270.8	233.2	212.1	229.2	277.0
AVERAGE	244.2	266.5	238.0	264.7	273.4	264.4	231.7	211.3	227.2	271.6
1961										
January	247.2	220.5	225.5	235.1	282.3	270.2	233.7	212.8	231.7	277.5
February	247.9	216.0	228.8	232.2	283.2	271.2	233.3	213.2	233.9	275.2
March	245.6	202.5	226.2	227.9	278.3	268.0	233.6	212.6	232.4	274.0
April	241.6	211.0	225.5	226.1	269.7	261.6	231.4	210.5	230.2	270.8
May	240.5	189.4	222.7	222.1	268.4	262.7	229.2	208.9	228.8	269.0
June	243.0	222.5	230.6	235.9	276.3	265.3	229.2	208.2	229.0	272.4
July	243.2	200.6	226.9	226.9	278.4	266.8	229.1	208.3	228.1	275.9
August	237.9	213.9	223.8	228.4	274.3	260.3	226.2	200.8	222.9	272.2
September	241.0	188.3	216.4	207.3	277.0	264.8	229.3	204.4	227.3	280.6
October	241.0	173.9	215.4	203.2	275.8	265.6	230.6	205.1	226.4	282.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada, estimated at 241.3 for November, increased from 241.1 for October - a gain of 0.2 points. Increased prices for dairy and poultry products slightly more offset a drop in potato prices and a slight decline in prices realized from the sale of livestock.

Provincially, increases in the farm price index occurred only in Quebec, Ontario and Saskatchewan and varied from 0.9 points in Quebec to 1.3 points in Saskatchewan. The index was down in the remaining six provinces with the greatest decline taking place in Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick where decreases of 3.3 points and 2.3 points respectively occurred. Lower potato prices accounted for most of the decline in the index in these two Maritime provinces.

The farm price index has been revised for the period August 1960 through July 1961 to include the recently announced final payment of 14.1 cents per bushel on the 1960 western oats crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Nov.(2) 1961	Oct.(2) 1961	Nov.(3) 1960	1960(4)	1959	1958
Prince Edward Island	170.6	173.9	219.9	266.5	234.4	203.4
Nova Scotia	214.0	215.0	232.2	238.0	227.3	216.
New Brunswick	200.9	203.2	237.8	264.7	239.5	227.0
Quebec	277.4	276.5	273.4	273.4	272.7	274.8
Ontario	266.6	265.4	267.4	264.4	264.2	266.5
Manitoba	229.5	230.7	231.3	232.2	240.6	236.6
Saskatchewan	206.7	205.4	210.5	212.0	218.6	214.5
Alberta	225.3	226.4	229.7	227.9	239.6	236.4
British Columbia	281.1	282.3	277.9	271.6	265.5	263.2
Canada	241.3	241.1	244.4	244.4	247.4	245.5

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final price for oats in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat, final price for oats and initial price only for barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1960, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1960 are final prices. From August 1, 1960 to July 31, 1961, the western grain prices used in the index are initial price plus interim payment for wheat, final price for oats and initial price only for barley. Since August 1, 1961 only initial prices are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the interim payment of 10.0 cents per bushel for wheat and the final payment of 14.1 cents per bushel for oats made on the 1960 crops. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1950	260.8	189.6	206.5	216.8	260.9	265.1	274.4	251.5	276.2	244.3
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960										
January	240.9	264.4	230.6	257.2	268.3	260.9	230.1	210.4	224.3	263.9
February	237.7	253.1	230.6	259.5	268.9	255.8	228.0	207.9	219.8	260.5
March	237.9	264.8	232.8	269.4	265.9	253.3	229.5	209.6	220.9	266.0
April	244.9	323.2	246.3	309.2	273.0	260.2	233.5	214.5	225.6	268.2
May	246.6	339.4	254.1	317.7	275.4	262.4	233.2	213.3	227.7	269.8
June	250.7	342.7	259.9	317.8	279.0	268.1	236.2	215.6	232.3	273.6
July	252.3	310.3	256.2	302.8	278.9	272.7	239.3	217.7	234.3	272.9
August	241.3	218.3	221.8	220.9	270.4	266.3	229.4	206.5	226.8	271.6
September	244.7	219.0	232.2	219.8	272.4	267.0	230.8	211.8	233.2	278.5
October	245.0	222.1	232.7	232.9	277.0	267.5	230.8	212.0	229.2	279.0
November	244.4	219.9	232.2	237.8	273.4	267.4	231.3	210.5	229.7	277.9
December	246.9	221.1	227.0	231.6	278.5	270.8	234.4	213.6	230.9	277.1
AVERAGE	244.4	266.5	238.0	264.7	273.4	264.4	232.2	212.0	227.9	271.6
1961										
January	247.9	220.5	225.5	235.1	282.3	270.2	234.9	214.3	233.4	277.6
February	248.7	216.0	228.8	232.2	283.2	271.2	234.6	214.8	235.5	275.2
March	246.4	202.5	226.2	227.9	278.3	268.0	234.9	214.1	234.0	274.1
April	242.3	211.0	225.5	226.1	269.7	261.6	232.6	212.0	231.9	270.9
May	241.3	189.4	222.7	222.1	268.4	262.7	230.4	210.4	230.5	269.1
June	243.8	222.5	230.6	235.9	276.3	265.3	230.5	209.7	230.7	272.4
July	244.0	200.6	226.9	226.9	278.4	266.8	230.3	209.8	229.8	275.9
August	237.9	213.9	223.8	228.4	274.3	260.3	226.2	200.8	222.9	272.2
September	241.0	188.3	216.4	207.3	277.0	264.8	229.3	204.4	227.3	280.6
October	241.1	173.9	215.0	203.2	276.5	265.4	230.7	205.4	226.4	282.3
November	241.3	170.6	214.0	200.9	277.4	266.6	229.5	206.7	225.3	281.1

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS DECEMBER, 1961 (1935-39=100)

The index numbers of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada, estimated at 242.8 for December, increased from 241.6 for November - a gain of 1.2 points. Increased prices for livestock, potatoes and grains more than offset a substantial decline in the price of eggs.

Provincially, increases in the farm price index occurred in Prince Edward Island and the Prairie Provinces; higher prices for livestock in all of these provinces and higher potato prices in Prince Edward Island contributed most to these gains. The declines in the index recorded for the remaining provinces were small and in no instance did they exceed two points.

The farm price index has been revised for the period August 1960 to July 1961 to include the recently announced final payment of 8.36 cents per bushel on the 1960 western barley crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Dec.(2) 1961	Nov.(2) 1961	Dec.(3) 1960	1961(4)	1960(5)	1959
Prince Edward Island	178.1	170.8	221.1	199.0	266.5	234.4
Nova Scotia	213.8	214.3	227.0	222.5	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	200.4	201.0	231.6	220.5	264.7	239.5
Quebec	277.8	279.5	278.5	276.8	273.4	272.7
Ontario	265.9	266.6	270.8	265.7	264.4	264.2
Manitoba	234.6	229.7	236.3	232.7	233.0	240.6
Saskatchewan	208.9	206.8	214.0	209.5	212.1	218.6
Alberta	228.9	225.3	231.2	229.9	228.0	239.6
British Columbia ...	280.4	280.5	277.1	275.9	271.6	265.5
Canada	242.8	241.6	247.3	243.4	244.6	247.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley for the period January to July inclusive. For the remainder of the year the prices are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley.

(5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1960, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1960 are final prices. From August 1, 1960 to July 31, 1961, the western grain prices used in the index are initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley. Since August 1, 1961 only initial prices are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the price currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The price used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. The average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of 8.36 cent per bushel to be made on the 1960 barley crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960										
January	240.9	264.4	230.6	257.2	268.3	260.9	230.1	210.4	224.3	263.9
February	237.7	253.1	230.6	259.5	268.9	255.8	228.0	207.9	219.8	260.5
March	237.9	264.8	232.8	269.4	265.9	253.3	229.5	209.6	220.9	266.0
April	244.9	323.2	246.3	309.2	273.0	260.2	233.5	214.5	225.6	268.2
May	246.6	339.4	254.1	317.7	275.4	262.4	233.2	213.3	227.7	269.8
June	250.7	342.7	259.9	317.8	279.0	268.1	236.2	215.6	232.3	273.6
July	252.3	310.3	256.2	302.8	278.9	272.7	239.3	217.7	234.3	272.9
August	241.7	218.3	221.8	220.9	270.4	266.	231.3	206.9	227.2	271.6
September	245.0	219.0	232.2	219.8	272.4	267.0	232.7	212.1	233.5	278.5
October	245.3	222.1	232.7	232.9	277.0	267.5	232.7	212.3	229.6	279.0
November	244.7	219.9	232.2	237.8	273.4	267.4	233.2	210.9	230.0	277.9
December	247.3	221.1	227.0	231.6	278.5	270.8	236.3	214.0	231.2	277.1
AVERAGE	244.6	266.5	238.0	264.7	273.4	264.4	233.0	212.1	228.0	271.6
1961										
January	248.2	220.5	225.5	235.1	282.3	270.2	236.8	214.7	233.8	277.6
February	249.0	216.0	228.8	232.2	283.2	271.2	236.5	215.1	235.9	275.2
March	246.7	202.5	226.2	227.9	278.3	268.0	236.8	214.5	234.4	274.1
April	242.7	211.0	225.5	226.1	269.7	261.6	234.6	212.4	232.2	270.9
May	241.6	189.4	222.7	222.1	268.4	262.7	232.3	210.8	230.9	269.1
June	244.1	222.5	23.6	235.9	276.3	265.3	232.4	210.1	231.0	272.4
July	244.3	200.6	226.9	226.9	278.4	266.8	232.3	210.2	230.1	275.9
August	237.9	213.9	223.8	228.4	274.3	260.3	226.2	200.8	222.9	272.2
September	241.0	188.3	216.4	207.3	277.0	264.8	229.3	204.4	227.3	280.6
October	241.1	173.9	215.0	203.2	276.5	265.4	230.7	205.4	226.4	282.3
November	241.6	170.8	214.3	201.0	279.5	266.6	229.7	206.8	225.3	280.5
December	242.8	178.1	213.8	200.4	277.8	265.9	234.6	208.9	228.9	280.4
AVERAGE	243.4	199.0	222.5	220.5	276.8	265.7	232.7	209.5	229.9	275.9

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products of Canada, excluding Newfoundland, has been estimated at 243.0 in January 1962. This is a net gain of 0.2 over December 1961. Minor increases in the prices of grains and livestock and the larger increase in the prices of potatoes were sufficient to offset, by a slight margin, the substantial reduction in the prices of eggs.

A comparison of the farm price index for the same two months for each of the provinces shows that it was unchanged for Prince Edward Island; minor increases occurred in the other four Eastern Provinces and British Columbia ranging in size from a high of 2.4 points to a low of .6 of a point. Losses of less than one point were registered for each of the Prairie Provinces.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Jan.(2) 1962	Dec.(2) 1961	Jan.(3) 1961	1961(4)	1960(5)	1959
Prince Edward Island	176.7	176.7	218.9	197.7	265.0	234.4
Nova Scotia	216.6	214.2	225.6	222.3	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	202.1	200.5	235.1	220.6	264.7	239.5
Quebec	277.1	276.5	282.3	276.0	273.6	272.7
Ontario	267.2	266.1	270.0	265.6	264.3	264.2
Manitoba	233.9	234.8	237.1	233.0	233.0	240.6
Saskatchewan	208.2	209.0	214.7	209.5	212.1	218.6
Alberta	228.5	229.0	233.8	229.9	228.0	239.6
British Columbia ...	282.9	281.2	277.4	276.5	271.3	265.5
Canada	243.0	242.8	248.2	243.3	244.6	247.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley for the period January to July inclusive. For the remainder of the year the prices are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley.

(5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1960, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1960 are final prices. From August 1, 1960 to July 31, 1961, the western grain prices used in the index are initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley. Since August 1, 1961 only initial prices are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.40 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the recently announced final payment of 8.36 cents per bushel to be made on the 1960 barley crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960 January	240.9	263.1	230.6	257.2	268.3	260.9	230.0	210.4	224.3	263.5
February	237.7	251.6	230.6	259.5	268.9	255.8	227.9	207.9	219.8	260.1
March	237.9	263.3	232.8	269.4	265.9	253.3	229.4	209.6	220.8	265.7
April	244.9	321.5	246.3	309.2	273.0	260.2	233.5	214.5	225.6	267.8
May	246.5	337.8	254.1	317.7	275.4	262.4	233.1	213.3	227.7	269.5
June	250.6	341.2	259.9	317.8	279.0	268.1	236.2	215.6	232.3	273.2
July	252.3	308.8	256.2	302.8	278.9	272.7	239.2	217.7	234.3	272.6
August	241.6	216.8	221.8	220.9	270.4	266.3	231.3	206.9	227.2	271.2
September	245.0	217.5	232.2	219.8	272.7	266.7	232.9	212.2	233.5	278.3
October	245.3	220.6	232.7	232.9	277.6	267.2	232.9	212.4	229.6	278.7
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December	247.3	219.6	227.0	231.6	279.1	270.6	236.6	214.0	231.2	276.9
AVERAGE	244.6	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	233.0	212.1	228.0	271.3
1961 January	248.2	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	237.1	214.7	233.8	277.4
February	249.0	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.7	270.9	236.7	215.2	235.9	275.2
March	246.6	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.4	267.7	237.1	214.5	234.4	274.1
April	242.5	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.6	261.4	234.8	212.4	232.2	271.4
May	241.4	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.3	262.5	232.6	210.8	230.9	269.6
June	243.9	221.0	230.7	236.0	275.1	265.0	232.7	210.1	231.0	273.0
July	244.2	202.5	226.9	226.8	277.4	266.6	232.6	210.2	230.1	276.8
August	237.8	212.4	223.8	228.3	273.1	260.1	226.5	200.8	222.9	273.1
September	240.9	186.8	216.4	207.3	276.0	264.6	229.6	204.4	227.3	281.5
October	240.9	172.4	212.6	203.2	275.3	265.2	231.0	205.4	226.4	283.1
November	241.5	169.3	214.2	201.0	278.2	266.6	230.0	206.8	225.4	281.3
December	242.8	176.7	214.2	200.5	276.5	266.1	234.8	209.0	229.0	281.2
AVERAGE	243.3	197.7	222.3	220.6	276.0	265.6	233.0	209.5	229.9	276.5
1962 January	243.0	176.7	216.6	202.1	277.1	267.2	233.9	208.2	228.5	282.9

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products in Canada(1), has been estimated at 246.6 for February 1962, fractionally below the revised estimate of 247.4 for January. Small declines in the prices of dairy and poultry products, together with somewhat larger decreases in the prices of cattle, more than offset increased prices for grains and potatoes. On a provincial basis the only gain of any consequence in the farm price index between January and February, occurred in Nova Scotia, while the most important reductions were recorded for Prince Edward Island and Ontario.

The index has been revised back to August 1961 to take into account the recently announced increase in the initial price to western producers of 75 cents per bushel on Durum wheat and 10 cents per bushel on all other wheat. These increases became effective March 1, 1962 and were made retroactive to August 1, 1961.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Feb.(2) 1962	Jan.(2) 1962	Feb.(3) 1961	1961(4)	1960(5)	1959
Prince Edward Island	171.9	176.4	214.5	197.7	265.0	234.4
Nova Scotia	220.3	216.8	228.8	222.3	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	202.1	202.2	232.3	220.6	264.7	239.5
Quebec	277.5	276.9	283.7	276.0	273.6	272.7
Ontario	264.2	267.1	270.9	265.6	264.3	264.2
Manitoba	241.0	240.2	236.7	235.8	233.0	240.6
Saskatchewan	219.6	219.4	215.2	215.4	212.1	218.6
Alberta	236.0	236.5	236.8	234.3	228.2	239.6
British Columbia ...	281.1	282.6	275.2	276.6	271.3	265.5
Canada	246.6	247.4	249.1	245.6	244.6	247.4

- (1) Excludes Newfoundland.
- (2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- (3) Based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- (4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley for the period January to July inclusive. For the remainder of the year the prices are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley.
- (5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price plus interim payment for wheat and final prices for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1960, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1960 are final prices. From August 1, 1960 to July 31, 1961, the western grain prices used in the index are initial price plus interim payments for wheat and final prices for oats and barley. Since August 1, 1961 only initial prices are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur have been on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cent per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based upon prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	CANADA	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960										
August	241.6	216.8	221.8	220.9	270.4	266.3	231.3	206.9	227.2	271.2
September	245.0	217.5	232.2	219.8	272.7	266.7	232.9	212.2	233.5	278.3
October	245.3	220.6	232.7	232.9	277.6	267.2	232.9	212.4	229.6	278.7
November	244.9	218.4	232.2	237.8	273.8	267.2	233.5	210.9	230.9	277.8
December	247.4	219.6	227.0	231.6	279.1	270.6	236.6	214.0	232.1	276.9
AVERAGE	244.6	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	233.0	212.1	228.2	271.3
1961										
January	248.4	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	237.1	214.7	234.7	277.4
February	249.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.7	270.9	236.7	215.2	236.8	275.2
March	246.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.4	267.7	237.1	214.5	235.3	274.1
April	242.7	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.6	261.4	234.8	212.4	233.1	271.4
May	241.6	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.3	262.5	232.6	210.8	231.8	269.6
June	244.1	221.0	230.7	236.0	275.1	265.0	232.7	210.1	232.0	273.0
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November	245.9	169.3	214.2	201.0	278.2	266.6	236.2	218.0	233.2	281.6
December	247.0	176.7	214.2	200.5	276.5	266.1	240.9	219.3	236.8	281.5
AVERAGE	245.6	197.7	222.3	220.6	276.0	265.6	235.8	215.4	234.3	276.6
1962										
January	247.4	176.4	216.8	202.2	276.9	267.1	240.2	219.4	236.5	282.6
February	246.6	171.9	220.3	202.1	277.5	264.2	241.0	219.6	236.0	281.1

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MARCH, 1962

Estimated at 246.6 the index of farm prices of agricultural products for March was only fractionally above the revised estimate of 246.4 for February. The more important price increases between February and March were recorded for poultry products and potatoes.

The index has been revised for the twelve-month period August 1960 to July 1961 to take into account the recently announced final payment of 31.8 cents per bushel paid on the 1960 wheat crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Mar.(2) 1962	Feb.(2) 1962	Mar. 1961	1961(3)	1960	1959
Prince Edward Island	176.1	172.0	201.0	197.7	265.0	234.4
Nova Scotia	212.7	215.6	226.2	222.3	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	205.8	202.0	227.9	220.6	264.7	239.5
Quebec	276.8	276.9	278.4	276.0	273.6	272.7
Ontario	263.8	264.2	267.7	265.6	264.3	264.2
Manitoba	241.9	241.0	256.7	247.2	241.2	240.6
Saskatchewan	219.3	219.6	244.4	232.8	224.6	218.6
Alberta	237.1	236.0	261.3	249.5	239.0	239.6
British Columbia ...	281.7	280.8	274.6	277.1	271.4	265.5
Canada	246.6	246.4	259.8	253.2	250.0	247.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1961, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1961 are final prices. From August 1, 1961 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only, for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

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September ..	258.0	217.5	232.2	219.8	272.7	266.7	252.6	242.2	259.5	278.7
October	258.3	220.6	232.7	232.9	277.6	267.2	252.6	242.4	255.5	279.4
November ...	257.9	218.4	232.2	237.8	273.8	267.2	253.1	240.9	256.9	278.1
December ...	260.4	219.6	227.0	231.6	279.1	270.6	256.2	244.0	258.1	277.1
AVERAGE	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February ...	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.7	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.4	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.6	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.1
May	254.5	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.3	262.5	252.2	240.7	257.8	270.2
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AVERAGE	253.2	197.7	222.3	220.6	276.0	265.6	247.2	232.8	249.5	277.1
1962 January	247.4	176.5	216.8	202.2	276.9	267.1	240.2	219.4	236.5	283.1
February ...	246.4	172.0	215.6	202.0	276.9	264.2	241.0	219.6	236.0	280.8
March	246.6	176.1	212.7	205.8	276.8	263.8	241.9	219.3	237.1	281.7

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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APRIL, 1962

The estimated index of farm prices of agricultural products for the month of April was 247.4, only fractionally higher than the estimate of 246.6 for March. The only increases for April as compared with March were recorded for livestock, and poultry and eggs. In this latter group, poultry was the main contributor. The increases in the prices for these commodities were more than sufficient to offset the price decrease which occurred for potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Apr. (2) 1962	Mar. (2) 1962	Apr. 1961	1961(3)	1960	1959
Prince Edward Island	168.3	176.1	209.5	197.7	265.0	234.4
Nova Scotia	216.3	212.7	225.3	222.3	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	199.4	205.8	226.1	220.6	264.7	239.5
Quebec	272.7	274.7	268.6	276.0	273.6	272.7
Ontario	265.7	264.6	261.4	265.6	264.3	264.2
Manitoba	242.1	241.8	254.4	247.2	241.2	240.6
Saskatchewan	220.4	219.4	242.4	232.8	224.6	218.6
Alberta	239.9	237.1	259.1	249.5	239.0	239.6
British Columbia ...	283.0	281.9	272.1	277.1	271.4	265.5
Canada	247.4	246.6	255.6	253.2	250.0	247.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1961, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1961 are final prices. From August 1, 1961 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only, for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 31.8 cents per bushel paid on the 1960 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960 August	254.6	216.8	221.8	220.9	270.4	266.3	250.9	236.9	253.1	271.2
September ..	258.0	217.5	232.2	219.8	272.7	266.7	252.6	242.2	259.5	278.7
October	258.3	220.6	232.7	232.9	277.6	267.2	252.6	242.4	255.5	279.4
November	257.9	218.4	232.2	237.8	273.8	267.2	253.1	240.9	256.9	278.1
December	260.4	219.6	227.0	231.6	279.1	270.6	256.2	244.0	258.1	277.1
AVERAGE	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.7	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.4	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.6	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.1
May	254.5	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.3	262.5	252.2	240.7	257.8	270.2
June	257.1	221.0	230.7	236.0	275.1	265.0	252.3	240.1	257.9	273.4
July	257.4	202.5	226.9	226.8	277.4	266.6	252.2	240.2	257.0	277.5
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October	245.7	172.4	212.6	203.2	275.3	265.2	237.7	216.6	236.2	283.9
November	245.9	169.3	214.2	201.0	278.2	266.6	236.2	218.0	233.2	282.1
December	247.0	176.7	214.2	200.5	276.5	266.1	240.9	219.3	236.8	281.9
AVERAGE	253.2	197.7	222.3	220.6	276.0	265.6	247.2	232.8	249.5	277.1
1962 January	247.7	176.5	216.8	202.2	276.9	268.1	240.2	219.4	236.5	283.1
February	246.6	172.0	215.6	202.0	276.9	264.9	241.0	219.6	236.0	280.8
March	246.6	176.1	212.7	205.8	274.7	264.6	241.8	219.4	237.1	281.9
April	247.4	168.3	216.3	199.4	272.7	265.7	242.1	220.4	239.9	283.0

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

MAY, 1962

The index of farm prices of agricultural products was estimated at 248.6 for May, 1.6 points above the revised estimate of 247.0 for April. Higher prices for livestock and potatoes more than offset lower prices for dairy products and eggs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	May (2) 1962	Apr. (2) 1962	May 1961	1961 (3)	1960	1959
Prince Edward Island	189.8	168.3	187.9	197.7	265.0	234.4
Nova Scotia	216.3	215.7	222.7	222.3	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	202.2	199.3	222.1	220.6	264.7	239.5
Quebec	270.5	270.8	267.3	276.0	273.6	272.7
Ontario	266.5	265.5	262.5	265.6	264.3	264.2
Manitoba	243.4	241.7	252.2	247.2	241.2	240.6
Saskatchewan	221.9	220.2	240.7	232.8	224.6	218.6
Alberta	242.9	239.8	257.8	249.5	239.0	239.6
British Columbia ...	283.0	282.9	270.2	277.1	271.4	265.5
Canada	248.6	247.0	254.5	253.2	250.0	247.4

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(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960 August	254.6	216.8	221.8	220.9	270.4	266.3	250.9	236.9	253.1	271.2
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December ...	260.4	219.6	227.0	231.6	279.1	270.6	256.2	244.0	258.1	277.1
AVERAGE	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February ...	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.7	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.4	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.6	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.1
May	254.5	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.3	262.5	252.2	240.7	257.8	270.2
June	257.1	221.0	230.7	236.0	275.1	265.0	252.3	240.1	257.9	273.4
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December ...	247.0	176.7	214.2	200.5	276.5	266.1	240.9	219.3	236.8	281.9
AVERAGE	253.2	197.7	222.3	220.6	276.0	265.6	247.2	232.8	249.5	277.1
1962 January	247.7	176.5	216.8	202.2	276.9	268.1	240.2	219.4	236.5	283.1
February ...	246.6	172.0	215.6	202.0	276.9	264.9	241.0	219.6	236.0	280.8
March	246.6	176.1	212.7	205.8	274.7	264.6	241.8	219.4	237.1	281.9
April	247.0	168.3	215.7	199.3	270.8	265.5	241.7	220.2	239.8	282.9
May	248.6	189.8	216.3	202.2	270.5	266.5	243.4	221.9	242.9	283.0

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JUNE, 1962

The index of farm prices of agricultural products was estimated at 252.5 for June, 3.7 points above the revised estimate of 248.8 for May. Higher prices for livestock and potatoes more than offset lower prices for grains and eggs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	June(2) 1962	May(2) 1962	June 1961	1961(3)	1960	1959
Prince Edward Island	195.1	189.4	221.0	197.7	265.0	234.4
Nova Scotia	217.6	215.6	230.7	222.3	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	218.6	202.1	236.0	220.6	264.7	239.5
Quebec	275.3	270.5	275.1	276.0	273.6	272.7
Ontario	273.4	266.9	265.0	265.6	264.3	264.2
Manitoba	245.5	243.2	252.3	247.2	241.2	240.6
Saskatchewan	221.1	222.0	240.1	232.8	224.6	218.6
Alberta	246.4	242.9	257.9	249.5	239.0	239.6
British Columbia ...	287.7	283.9	273.4	277.1	271.4	265.5
Canada	252.5	248.8	257.1	253.2	250.0	247.4

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Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
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December ...	260.4	219.6	227.0	231.6	279.1	270.6	256.2	244.0	258.1	277.1
AVERAGE	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February ...	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.7	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.4	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.6	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.1
May	254.5	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.3	262.5	252.2	240.7	257.8	270.2
June	257.1	221.0	230.7	236.0	275.1	265.0	252.3	240.1	257.9	273.4
July	257.4	202.5	226.9	226.8	277.4	266.6	252.2	240.2	257.0	277.5
August	244.7	212.4	223.8	228.3	273.1	260.1	233.9	221.4	232.7	273.8
September ..	247.1	186.8	216.4	207.3	276.0	264.6	236.9	221.3	238.0	282.1
October	245.7	172.4	212.6	203.2	275.3	265.2	237.7	216.6	236.2	283.9
November ...	245.9	169.3	214.2	201.0	278.2	266.6	236.2	218.0	233.2	282.1
December ...	247.0	176.7	214.2	200.5	276.5	266.1	240.9	219.3	236.8	281.9
AVERAGE	253.2	197.7	222.3	220.6	276.0	265.6	247.2	232.8	249.5	277.1
1962 January	247.7	176.5	216.8	202.2	276.9	268.1	240.2	219.4	236.5	283.1
February ...	246.6	172.0	215.6	202.0	276.9	264.9	241.0	219.6	236.0	280.8
March	246.6	176.1	212.7	205.8	274.7	264.6	241.8	219.4	237.1	281.9
April	247.0	168.3	215.7	199.3	270.8	265.5	241.7	220.2	239.8	283.0
May	248.8	189.4	215.6	202.1	270.5	266.9	243.2	222.0	242.9	283.9
June	252.5	195.1	217.6	218.6	275.3	273.4	245.5	221.1	246.4	287.7

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products rose for the fourth consecutive month when it increased from 253.3 in June to 258.3 in July. This represents a gain of nearly 12 points over the low point, so far this year of 246.6 recorded for both February and March. Between June and July substantial price increases occurred for both livestock and potatoes. Prices for poultry and eggs made minor gains while those for grains and dairy products remained practically unchanged.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	July(2) 1962	June(2) 1962	July 1961	1961(3)	1960	1959
Prince Edward Island	211.6	195.0	202.5	197.7	265.0	234.4
Nova Scotia	227.2	217.2	226.9	222.3	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	236.1	218.4	226.8	220.6	264.7	239.5
Quebec	281.3	275.8	277.4	276.0	273.6	272.7
Ontario	279.0	273.2	266.6	265.6	264.3	264.2
Manitoba	249.5	246.7	252.2	247.2	241.2	240.6
Saskatchewan	226.9	223.7	240.2	232.8	224.6	218.6
Alberta	250.9	247.2	257.0	249.5	239.0	239.6
British Columbia ...	292.6	287.7	277.5	277.1	271.4	265.5
Canada	258.3	253.3	257.4	253.2	250.0	247.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1961, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1961 are final prices. From August 1, 1961 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only, for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 31.8 cents per bushel paid on the 1960 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P. E. I.	N. S.	N. B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960										
August	254.6	216.8	221.8	220.9	270.4	266.3	250.9	236.9	253.1	271.2
September ..	258.0	217.5	232.2	219.8	272.7	266.7	252.6	242.2	259.5	278.7
October	258.3	220.6	232.7	232.9	277.6	267.2	252.6	242.4	255.5	279.4
November	257.9	218.4	232.2	237.8	273.8	267.2	253.1	240.9	256.9	278.1
December	260.4	219.6	227.0	231.6	279.1	270.6	256.2	244.0	258.1	277.1
AVERAGE	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961										
January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.7	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.4	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.6	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.1
May	254.5	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.3	262.5	252.2	240.7	257.8	270.2
June	257.1	221.0	230.7	236.0	275.1	265.0	252.3	240.1	257.9	273.4
July	257.4	202.5	226.9	226.8	277.4	266.6	252.2	240.2	257.0	277.5
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1962										
January	247.7	176.5	216.8	202.2	276.9	268.1	240.2	219.4	236.5	283.1
February	246.6	172.0	215.6	202.0	276.9	264.9	241.0	219.6	236.0	280.8
March	246.6	176.1	212.7	205.8	274.7	264.6	241.8	219.4	237.1	281.9
April	247.0	168.3	215.7	199.3	270.8	265.5	241.7	220.2	239.8	283.0
May	248.8	189.4	215.6	202.1	270.5	266.9	243.2	222.0	242.9	283.9
June	253.3	195.0	217.2	218.4	275.8	273.2	246.7	223.7	247.2	287.7
July	258.3	211.6	227.2	236.1	281.3	279.0	249.5	226.9	250.9	292.6

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AUGUST 1962

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for the month of August reached 262.1 (1935-39=100), a gain of 4.3 points over the revised estimate of 257.8 for the month of July, and nearly 18 points higher than the 244.2 recorded for August of a year ago. Compared with a month ago, the increase in the price index for August can be largely attributed to higher prices for livestock, potatoes and poultry products. The increase in the current index over that of a year ago is due in large part to price increases for livestock and potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Aug.(2) 1962	July(2) 1962	Aug.(2) 1961	1961(3)	1960	1959
Prince Edward Island	264.0	211.6	212.4	197.7	265.0	234.4
Nova Scotia	243.5	236.0	223.8	225.4	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	259.8	236.3	228.1	220.4	264.7	239.5
Quebec	281.3	278.2	271.8	275.1	273.6	272.7
Ontario	283.0	277.9	259.6	265.2	264.3	264.2
Manitoba	251.4	249.4	233.9	247.2	241.2	240.6
Saskatchewan	228.6	227.1	221.4	232.8	224.6	218.6
Alberta	254.5	250.9	232.7	249.5	239.0	239.6
British Columbia ...	293.8	292.3	270.1	276.2	271.4	265.5
Canada	262.1	257.8	244.2	253.0	250.0	247.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 31.8 cents per bushel paid on the 1960 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variation of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta	B.C.
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1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.7	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.1	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.3	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.5
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AVERAGE	253.0	197.7	225.4	220.4	275.1	265.2	247.2	232.8	249.5	276.2
1962 January	247.2	176.5	226.0	201.9	275.3	266.6	240.2	219.4	236.5	282.1
February	246.1	172.0	224.8	201.8	275.3	263.5	241.0	219.6	236.0	279.9
March	246.1	176.1	221.9	205.5	273.0	263.1	241.8	219.4	237.1	281.0
April	246.5	168.3	224.9	199.0	269.1	264.1	241.7	220.2	239.8	281.6
May	248.3	189.4	224.8	201.8	268.8	265.5	243.2	222.0	242.9	282.6
June	252.9	195.0	226.4	218.6	273.7	272.0	246.7	223.7	247.2	287.0
July	257.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	278.2	277.9	249.4	227.1	250.9	292.3
August	262.1	264.0	243.5	259.8	281.3	283.0	251.4	228.6	254.5	293.8

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The sharp upswing in the index of farm prices between July and August of this year, from 257.8 to 262.3, was completely reversed in September when the index dropped to 257.1. However it still continues well above the level of 246.9 for September 1961. The decline between August and September of this year occurred as a result of lower prices for grains, livestock and potatoes more than offsetting some increase in the prices of poultry and dairy products. In the case of grains the reduction in prices can be attributed for the most part to a reduction in the marketings of grains of higher grades. The decline in livestock prices was due largely to lower prices for hogs and to a lesser extent to a reduction in the prices of lambs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Sept. (2) 1962	Aug. (2) 1962	Sept. (2) 1961	1961 (3)	1960	1959
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Nova Scotia	234.9	243.5	225.6	225.4	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	218.2	259.7	207.1	220.4	264.7	239.5
Quebec	273.2	281.8	274.4	275.1	273.6	272.7
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Alberta	251.7	254.5	238.0	249.5	239.0	239.6
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Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February ...	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.7	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.1	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.3	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.5
May	254.5	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.1	262.5	252.2	240.7	257.8	270.6
June	256.9	221.0	230.7	235.8	273.8	265.0	252.3	240.1	257.9	273.4
July	257.1	202.5	226.9	226.6	276.1	266.6	252.2	240.2	257.0	273.5
August	244.2	212.4	223.8	228.1	271.8	259.6	233.9	221.4	232.7	270.1
September ..	246.9	186.8	225.6	207.1	274.4	264.0	236.9	221.3	238.0	281.2
October	245.5	172.4	221.8	203.0	273.7	264.7	237.7	216.6	236.2	282.9
November ...	245.4	169.3	223.4	200.8	276.6	265.1	236.2	218.0	233.2	281.1
December ...	246.6	176.7	223.4	200.3	274.8	264.7	240.9	219.3	236.8	281.0
AVERAGE	253.0	197.7	225.4	220.4	275.1	265.2	247.2	232.8	249.5	276.2
1962 January	247.2	176.5	226.0	201.9	275.3	266.6	240.2	219.4	236.5	282.1
February ...	246.1	172.0	224.8	201.8	275.3	263.5	241.0	219.6	236.0	279.9
March	246.1	176.1	221.9	205.5	273.0	263.1	241.8	219.4	237.1	281.0
April	246.5	168.3	224.9	199.0	269.1	264.1	241.7	220.2	239.8	281.6
May	248.3	189.4	224.8	201.8	268.8	265.5	243.2	222.0	242.9	282.6
June	252.9	195.0	226.4	218.6	273.7	272.0	246.7	223.7	247.2	287.0
July	257.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	278.2	277.9	249.4	227.1	250.9	292.3
August	262.3	264.0	243.5	259.7	281.8	283.1	251.4	228.6	254.5	294.8
September ..	257.1	197.3	234.9	218.2	273.2	281.3	248.6	223.5	251.7	295.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products continued its downward trend when it declined from the revised estimate of 257.4 for September to 255.8 for October. However, the October estimate is still about 10 points above the comparable figure for the corresponding month of a year ago. The decline between September and October of this year can be attributed to lower average prices for grains and livestock more than offsetting somewhat higher prices for potatoes, and poultry and dairy products. Compared with a year ago, October prices were higher for livestock, potatoes, and poultry and dairy products, but lower for grains.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Oct.(2) 1962	Sept.(2) 1962	Oct.(2) 1961	1961(3)	1960	1959
Prince Edward Island	208.5	197.1	172.4	197.7	265.0	234.4
Nova Scotia	230.5	235.7	221.8	225.4	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	222.3	218.3	203.0	220.4	264.7	239.5
Quebec	275.8	274.7	273.7	275.1	273.6	272.7
Ontario	283.1	281.6	264.7	265.2	264.3	264.2
Manitoba	245.5	248.7	237.7	247.2	241.2	240.6
Saskatchewan	220.6	223.5	216.6	232.8	224.6	218.6
Alberta	244.2	251.7	236.2	249.5	239.0	239.6
British Columbia ...	295.7	294.8	282.9	276.2	271.4	265.5
Canada	255.8	257.4	245.5	253.0	250.0	247.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1961, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1961 are final prices. From August 1, 1961 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only, for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 31.8 cents per bushel paid on the 1960 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.7	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.1	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.3	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.5
May	254.5	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.1	262.5	252.2	240.7	257.8	270.6
June	256.9	221.0	230.7	235.8	273.8	265.0	252.3	240.1	257.9	273.4
July	257.1	202.5	226.9	226.6	276.1	266.6	252.2	240.2	257.0	273.5
August	244.2	212.4	223.8	228.1	271.8	259.6	233.9	221.4	232.7	270.1
September ..	246.9	186.8	225.6	207.1	274.4	264.0	236.9	221.3	238.0	281.2
October	245.5	172.4	221.8	203.0	273.7	264.7	237.7	216.6	236.2	282.9
November	245.4	169.3	223.4	200.8	276.6	265.1	236.2	218.0	233.2	281.1
December	246.6	176.7	223.4	200.3	274.8	264.7	240.9	219.3	236.8	281.0
AVERAGE	253.0	197.7	225.4	220.4	275.1	265.2	247.2	232.8	249.5	276.2
1962 January	247.2	176.5	226.0	201.9	275.3	266.6	240.2	219.4	236.5	282.1
February	246.1	172.0	224.8	201.8	275.3	263.5	241.0	219.6	236.0	279.9
March	246.1	176.1	221.9	205.5	273.0	263.1	241.8	219.4	237.1	281.0
April	246.5	168.3	224.9	199.0	269.1	264.1	241.7	220.2	239.8	281.6
May	248.3	189.4	224.8	201.8	268.8	265.5	243.2	222.0	242.9	282.6
June	252.9	195.0	226.4	218.6	273.7	272.0	246.7	223.7	247.2	287.0
July	257.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	278.2	277.9	249.4	227.1	250.9	292.3
August	262.3	264.0	243.5	259.7	281.8	283.1	251.4	228.6	254.5	294.8
September ..	257.4	197.1	235.7	218.3	274.7	281.6	248.7	223.5	251.7	294.8
October	255.8	208.5	230.5	222.3	275.8	283.1	245.5	220.6	244.2	295.7

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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NOVEMBER 1962

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 254.4 for the month of November, 1.3 points below the revised estimate of 255.7 for October, but still well above the figure of 246.2 for November 1961. The decline between October and November of this year is due to slightly lower prices for grains and livestock and a fairly substantial reduction in the prices of potatoes. On the other hand slight increases were recorded for prices of poultry and dairy products. The index has been revised for the period August 1961 to July 1962 to take into account the recently announced final payment of 17.3 cents per bushel on the 1961 oats crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Nov.(2) 1962	Oct.(2) 1962	Nov.(3) 1961	1961(4)	1960	1959
Prince Edward Island	194.0	208.8	169.3	197.7	265.0	234.4
Nova Scotia	234.1	234.2	223.4	225.4	238.0	227.3
New Brunswick	207.0	222.5	200.8	220.4	264.7	239.5
Quebec	275.1	274.5	275.1	274.4	273.6	272.7
Ontario	282.4	283.1	265.1	265.2	264.3	264.2
Manitoba	242.7	245.5	237.7	247.8	241.2	240.6
Saskatchewan	219.4	220.4	219.9	233.6	224.6	218.6
Alberta	243.4	244.1	235.3	250.3	239.0	239.6
British Columbia ...	293.6	295.7	281.1	276.2	271.4	265.5
Canada	254.4	255.7	246.2	253.3	250.0	247.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final price for oats and initial prices for wheat and barley.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final price for oats and initial prices for wheat and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1961, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1961 are final prices. From August 1, 1961 to July 31, 1962, the western grain prices used in the index are final price for oats and initial prices for wheat and barley. Since August 1, 1962 initial prices only are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of about 17.3 cents per bushel to be paid on the 1961 oats crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
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1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.8	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.2	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.4	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.5
May	254.5	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.1	262.5	252.2	240.7	257.8	270.6
June	256.9	221.0	230.7	235.8	274.0	265.0	252.3	240.1	257.9	273.4
July	256.9	202.5	226.9	226.6	274.7	266.6	252.2	240.2	257.0	273.5
August	245.0	212.4	223.8	228.1	270.3	259.6	235.4	223.3	234.8	270.1
September ..	247.6	186.8	225.6	207.1	272.9	264.0	238.4	223.1	240.1	281.2
October	246.3	172.4	221.8	203.0	272.2	264.7	239.2	218.5	238.3	282.9
November ...	246.2	169.3	223.4	200.8	275.1	265.1	237.7	219.9	235.3	281.1
December ...	247.3	176.7	223.4	200.3	273.3	264.7	242.4	221.2	238.8	281.0
AVERAGE	253.3	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	247.8	233.6	250.3	276.2
1962 January	247.5	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	241.7	221.3	238.6	282.1
February	246.5	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	242.5	221.5	238.0	279.9
March	246.6	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	243.3	221.3	239.2	281.0
April	247.0	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	243.2	222.1	241.9	281.6
May	248.8	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	244.7	223.9	245.0	282.6
June	253.6	195.0	226.4	218.6	272.1	271.9	248.2	225.6	249.3	287.0
July	258.6	211.6	236.0	236.3	275.9	278.5	250.9	229.0	253.0	292.3
August	262.3	264.0	243.5	259.7	279.4	284.2	251.4	228.6	254.5	294.8
September ..	257.2	197.1	235.7	218.3	272.2	282.0	248.7	223.5	251.7	294.8
October	255.7	208.8	234.2	222.5	274.5	283.1	245.5	220.4	244.1	295.7
November ...	254.4	194.0	234.1	207.0	275.1	282.4	242.7	219.4	243.4	293.6

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 253.6 for the month of December 1962, less than one point below the revised estimate of 254.4 for the previous month, but 5.2 points above the revised figure of 248.4 points for December 1961. Between November and December of 1962, prices were higher for potatoes, but lower for livestock and eggs. The index has been revised for the period August 1961 to July 1962 to take into account the recently announced final payment of 30.2 cents per bushel on the 1961 barley crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Dec.(2) 1962	Nov.(2) 1962	Dec.(3) 1961	1962(4)	1961(5)	1960
Prince Edward Island	201.1	194.0	176.7	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	242.8	234.2	223.4	231.3	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	211.6	207.1	200.3	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	277.8	275.7	273.3	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	279.5	282.3	264.7	273.3	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	242.5	242.8	249.4	249.5	250.7	241.2
Saskatchewan	218.3	219.4	222.5	223.6	234.2	224.6
Alberta	242.5	243.4	240.1	245.8	250.8	239.0
British Columbia ...	289.3	293.0	281.0	287.8	276.2	271.4
Canada	253.6	254.4	248.4	253.3	253.8	250.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final prices for oats and barley and initial price for wheat.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price for wheat and final prices for oats and barley for the period January to July inclusive. For the remainder of the year the prices are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley.

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	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 30.2 cents per bushel paid on the 1961 barley crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
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1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961										
January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.8	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.2	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.4	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.5
May	254.5	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.1	262.5	252.2	240.7	257.8	270.6
June	256.9	221.0	230.7	235.8	274.0	265.0	252.3	240.1	257.9	273.4
July	256.9	202.5	226.9	226.6	274.7	266.6	252.2	240.2	257.0	273.5
August	246.1	212.4	223.8	228.1	270.3	259.6	242.3	224.6	236.0	270.1
September	248.8	186.8	225.6	207.1	272.9	264.0	245.3	224.4	241.3	281.2
October	247.4	172.4	221.8	203.0	272.2	264.7	246.1	219.8	239.5	282.9
November	247.3	169.3	223.4	200.8	275.1	265.1	244.6	221.2	236.5	281.1
December	248.4	176.7	223.4	200.3	273.3	264.7	249.4	222.5	240.1	281.0
AVERAGE	253.8	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	250.7	234.2	250.8	276.2
1962										
January	248.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	248.6	222.6	239.8	282.1
February	247.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	249.5	222.7	239.2	279.9
March	247.7	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	250.3	222.6	240.4	281.0
April	248.1	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	250.2	223.4	243.1	281.6
May	249.9	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	251.6	225.1	246.2	282.6
June	254.8	195.0	226.4	218.6	272.1	271.9	255.2	226.8	250.5	287.0
July	259.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	275.9	278.5	257.8	230.2	254.2	292.3
August	262.3	264.0	243.5	259.7	279.4	284.2	251.4	228.6	254.5	294.8
September	257.2	197.1	235.7	218.3	272.2	282.0	248.7	223.5	251.7	294.8
October	255.7	208.8	234.2	222.5	274.5	283.1	245.5	220.4	244.1	295.7
November	254.4	194.0	234.2	207.1	275.7	282.3	242.8	219.4	243.4	293.0
December	253.6	201.1	242.8	211.6	277.8	279.5	242.5	218.3	242.5	289.3
AVERAGE	253.3	196.2	231.3	215.3	273.5	273.3	249.5	223.6	245.8	287.8

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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The index of farm prices which has moved steadily downward since August 1962 continued to decline between December 1962 and January 1963. Estimated at 251.0, the index for January was 2.3 points below the revised figure of 253.3 for the previous month. Lower prices for livestock and eggs contributed most to the latest reduction. Partially offsetting these price declines were higher prices for potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Jan. (2) 1963	Dec. (2) 1962	Jan. (3) 1962	1962(4)	1961(5)	1960
Prince Edward Island	201.8	201.1	176.5	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	236.7	235.6	226.0	230.7	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	223.2	211.5	201.9	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	277.3	277.8	275.8	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	276.7	279.3	265.1	273.2	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	237.8	242.4	248.6	249.5	250.7	241.2
Saskatchewan	215.9	218.4	222.6	223.6	234.2	224.6
Alberta	238.0	242.6	239.8	245.8	250.8	239.0
British Columbia ...	287.5	287.9	282.1	287.7	276.2	271.4
Canada	251.0	253.3	248.7	253.3	253.8	250.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final prices for oats and barley and initial price for wheat.

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(5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price for wheat and final prices for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive. For the remaining months, the prices used for these three grains are final prices.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1961 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 30.2 cents per bushel paid on the 1961 barley crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 January	261.3	218.9	225.6	235.1	282.3	270.0	256.7	244.7	260.7	278.0
February	262.1	214.5	228.8	232.3	283.8	270.9	256.4	245.1	262.8	275.6
March	259.8	201.0	226.2	227.9	278.2	267.7	256.7	244.4	261.3	274.6
April	255.6	209.5	225.3	226.1	268.4	261.4	254.4	242.4	259.1	272.5
May	254.5	187.9	222.7	222.1	267.1	262.5	252.2	240.7	257.8	270.6
June	256.9	221.0	230.7	235.8	274.0	265.0	252.3	240.1	257.9	273.4
July	256.9	202.5	226.9	226.6	274.7	266.6	252.2	240.2	257.0	273.5
August	246.1	212.4	223.8	228.1	270.3	259.6	242.3	224.6	236.0	270.1
September ..	248.8	186.8	225.6	207.1	272.9	264.0	245.3	224.4	241.3	281.2
October	247.4	172.4	221.8	203.0	272.2	264.7	246.1	219.8	239.5	282.9
November	247.3	169.3	223.4	200.8	275.1	265.1	244.6	221.2	236.5	281.1
December	248.4	176.7	223.4	200.3	273.3	264.7	249.4	222.5	240.1	281.0
AVERAGE	253.8	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	250.7	234.2	250.8	276.2
1962 January	248.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	248.6	222.6	239.8	282.1
February	247.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	249.5	222.7	239.2	279.9
March	247.7	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	250.3	222.6	240.4	281.0
April	248.1	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	250.2	223.4	243.1	281.6
May	249.9	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	251.6	225.1	246.2	282.6
June	254.8	195.0	226.4	218.6	272.1	271.9	255.2	226.8	250.5	287.0
July	259.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	275.9	278.5	257.8	230.2	254.2	292.3
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October	255.7	208.8	234.2	222.5	274.5	283.1	245.5	220.4	244.1	295.7
November	254.4	194.0	234.2	207.1	275.7	282.3	242.8	219.4	243.4	293.0
December	253.3	201.1	235.6	211.5	277.8	279.3	242.4	218.4	242.6	287.9
AVERAGE	253.3	196.2	230.7	215.3	273.5	273.2	249.5	223.6	245.8	287.7
1963 January	251.0	201.8	236.7	223.2	277.3	276.7	237.8	215.9	238.0	287.5

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The index of farm prices continued its downward movement when it declined from the revised estimate of 250.7 for January to 249.8 for February. Although higher prices were reported for potatoes and poultry products, they were more than offset by lower prices for livestock.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Feb.(2) 1963	Jan.(2) 1963	Feb.(3) 1962	1962(4)	1961(5)	1960
Prince Edward Island	229.0	202.4	172.0	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	241.6	236.9	224.8	230.7	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	235.8	223.3	201.8	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	279.0	276.6	273.8	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	273.5	276.3	262.4	273.2	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	238.0	237.9	249.5	249.5	250.7	241.2
Saskatchewan	213.2	215.8	222.7	223.6	234.2	224.6
Alberta	235.8	238.0	239.2	245.8	250.8	239.0
British Columbia ...	285.4	287.1	279.9	287.7	276.2	271.4
Canada	249.8	250.7	247.7	253.3	253.8	250.0

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Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	281.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 August	246.1	212.4	223.8	228.1	270.3	259.6	242.3	224.6	236.0	270.1
September ..	248.8	186.8	225.6	207.1	272.9	264.0	245.3	224.4	241.3	281.2
October	247.4	172.4	221.8	203.0	272.2	264.7	246.1	219.8	239.5	282.9
November	247.3	169.3	223.4	200.8	275.1	265.1	244.6	221.2	236.5	281.1
December	248.4	176.7	223.4	200.3	273.3	264.7	249.4	222.5	240.1	281.0
AVERAGE	253.8	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	250.7	234.2	250.8	276.2
1962 January	248.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	248.6	222.6	239.8	282.1
February	247.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	249.5	222.7	239.2	279.9
March	247.7	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	250.3	222.6	240.4	281.0
April	248.1	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	250.2	223.4	243.1	281.6
May	249.9	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	251.6	225.1	246.2	282.6
June	254.8	195.0	226.4	218.6	272.1	271.9	255.2	226.8	250.5	287.0
July	259.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	275.9	278.5	257.8	230.2	254.2	292.3
August	262.3	264.0	243.5	259.7	279.4	284.2	251.4	228.6	254.5	294.8
September ..	257.2	197.1	235.7	218.3	272.2	282.0	248.7	223.5	251.7	294.8
October	255.7	208.8	234.2	222.5	274.5	283.1	245.5	220.4	244.1	295.7
November	254.4	194.0	234.2	207.1	275.7	282.3	242.8	219.4	243.4	293.0
December	253.3	201.1	235.6	211.5	277.8	279.3	242.4	218.4	242.6	287.9
AVERAGE	253.3	196.2	230.7	215.3	273.5	273.2	249.5	223.6	245.8	287.7
1963 January	250.7	202.4	236.9	223.3	276.6	276.3	237.9	215.8	238.0	287.1
February	249.8	229.0	241.6	235.8	279.0	273.5	238.0	213.2	235.8	285.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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The index of farm prices which has moved steadily downward since July 1962 continued to decline between February and March when it moved from 249.8 to 247.3. This reduction can be attributed almost entirely to lower prices for livestock. Partially offsetting these losses were higher prices for potatoes, poultry and eggs. The index has been revised for the months of August 1961 to July 1962 inclusive in order to take care of the final Canadian Wheat Board payment of 66.1 cents per bushel paid on the 1961 durum wheat crop and the final payment of 43.0 cents per bushel paid on 1961 crop of spring wheat (other than Durum).

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Mar.(2) 1963	Feb.(2) 1963	Mar. 1962	1962(3)	1961	1960
Prince Edward Island	228.6	229.2	176.1	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	244.7	241.4	221.9	230.7	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	236.9	235.6	205.5	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	276.0	278.2	271.5	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	268.9	273.5	262.2	273.2	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	234.8	237.9	277.1	265.2	262.0	241.2
Saskatchewan	212.9	213.2	263.8	247.7	251.3	224.6
Alberta	232.8	236.1	277.1	267.5	265.9	239.0
British Columbia ...	285.7	284.9	281.3	287.9	276.3	271.4
Canada	247.3	249.8	265.7	263.9	261.2	250.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1962, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1962 are final prices. From August 1, 1962 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1962 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 66.1 cents per bushel paid on the 1961 durum wheat crop and the final payment of 43.0 cents paid on the 1961 crop of spring wheat (other than Durum). All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
(1935-39=100)

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 August	263.9	212.4	223.8	228.1	270.3	259.6	269.4	265.8	271.7	270.4
September ..	266.6	186.8	225.6	207.1	272.9	264.0	272.3	265.6	277.0	281.5
October	265.2	172.4	221.8	203.0	272.2	264.7	273.1	261.0	275.2	283.2
November ...	265.3	169.3	223.4	200.8	275.1	265.1	271.5	262.4	273.2	281.5
December ...	266.5	176.7	223.4	200.3	273.3	264.7	276.4	263.7	276.8	281.3
AVERAGE	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.3
1962 January	266.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	275.6	263.8	276.5	282.4
February ...	265.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	276.5	264.0	276.0	280.1
March	265.7	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	277.1	263.8	277.1	281.3
April	266.1	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	277.1	264.6	279.8	281.9
May	267.9	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	278.6	266.3	282.9	282.9
June	272.8	195.0	226.4	218.6	272.1	271.9	282.2	268.0	287.2	287.3
July	277.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	275.9	278.5	284.9	271.5	290.9	292.6
August	262.5	264.0	243.5	259.7	279.4	284.2	251.4	228.6	255.5	294.8
September ..	257.4	197.1	235.7	218.3	272.2	282.0	248.7	223.5	252.7	294.8
October	255.9	208.8	234.2	222.5	274.5	283.1	245.5	220.4	245.1	295.7
November ...	254.5	194.0	234.2	207.1	275.7	282.3	242.8	219.4	243.7	293.0
December ...	253.4	201.1	235.6	211.5	277.8	279.3	242.4	218.4	242.8	287.9
AVERAGE	263.9	196.2	230.7	215.3	273.5	273.2	265.2	247.7	267.5	287.9
1963 January	250.8	202.4	236.9	223.3	276.6	276.3	237.9	215.8	238.3	287.1
February ...	249.8	229.2	241.4	235.6	278.2	273.5	237.9	213.2	236.1	284.9
March	247.3	228.6	244.7	236.9	276.0	268.9	234.8	212.9	232.8	285.7

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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APRIL 1963

The index of farm prices of agricultural products continued to move downward as it declined from a revised estimate of 247.4 for March to 244.0 in April. During this period lower prices were recorded for poultry products, potatoes and livestock, particularly eggs. Prices of grain remained practically unchanged.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Apr. (2) 1963	Mar. (2) 1963	Apr. 1962	1962 (3)	1961	1960
Prince Edward Island	211.4	228.3	168.3	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	232.3	237.6	224.9	230.7	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	218.1	236.9	199.0	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	267.3	276.7	267.6	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	266.0	269.4	263.3	273.2	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	233.5	234.8	277.1	265.2	262.0	241.2
Saskatchewan	211.0	212.9	264.6	247.7	251.3	224.6
Alberta	231.9	232.7	279.8	267.5	265.9	239.0
British Columbia ...	288.3	286.1	281.9	287.9	276.3	271.4
Canada	244.0	247.4	266.1	263.9	261.2	250.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1962, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1962 are final prices. From August 1, 1962 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1962 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 66.1 cents per bushel paid on the 1961 durum wheat crop and the final payment of 43.0 cents paid on the 1961 crop of spring wheat (other than Durum). All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.3	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	237.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 August	263.9	212.4	223.8	228.1	270.3	259.6	269.4	265.8	271.7	270.4
September ..	266.6	186.8	225.6	207.1	272.9	264.0	272.3	265.6	277.0	281.5
October	265.2	172.4	221.8	203.0	272.2	264.7	273.1	261.0	275.2	283.2
November ...	265.3	169.3	223.4	200.8	275.1	265.1	271.5	262.4	273.2	281.5
December ...	266.5	176.7	223.4	200.2	273.3	264.7	276.4	263.7	276.8	281.3
AVERAGE	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.3
1962 January	266.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	275.6	263.8	276.5	282.4
February ...	265.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	276.5	264.0	276.0	280.1
March	265.7	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	277.1	263.8	277.1	281.3
April	266.1	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	277.1	264.6	279.8	281.9
May	267.9	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	278.6	266.3	282.9	282.9
June	272.8	195.0	226.4	218.6	272.1	271.9	282.2	268.0	287.2	287.3
July	277.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	275.9	278.5	284.9	271.5	290.9	292.6
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December ...	253.4	201.1	235.6	211.5	277.8	279.3	242.4	218.4	242.8	287.9
AVERAGE	263.9	196.2	230.7	215.3	273.5	273.2	265.2	247.7	267.5	287.9
1963 January	250.8	202.4	236.9	223.3	276.6	276.3	237.9	215.8	238.3	287.1
February ...	249.8	229.2	241.4	235.6	278.2	273.5	237.9	213.2	236.1	284.9
March	247.4	228.3	237.6	236.9	276.7	269.4	234.8	212.9	232.7	286.1
April	244.0	211.4	232.3	218.1	267.3	266.0	233.5	211.0	231.9	288.3

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MAY 1963

For the first time in many months the index of farm prices of agricultural products moved upward. It increased from a revised figure of 243.7 for April to 244.9 in May as a result of higher prices for livestock and potatoes. Farm prices for eggs in May were below the April level.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	May(2) 1963	Apr.(2) 1963	May 1962	1962(3)	1961	1960
Prince Edward Island	218.2	211.5	189.4	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	232.5	232.0	224.8	230.7	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	217.1	218.2	201.8	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	265.6	264.8	267.3	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	266.9	266.0	264.6	273.2	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	234.3	233.4	278.6	265.2	262.0	241.2
Saskatchewan	212.0	211.0	266.3	247.7	251.3	224.6
Alberta	235.2	231.9	282.9	267.5	265.9	239.0
British Columbia ...	286.2	289.2	282.9	287.9	276.3	271.4
Canada	244.9	243.7	267.9	263.9	261.2	250.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
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December	266.5	176.7	223.4	200.3	273.3	264.7	276.4	263.7	276.8	281.3
AVERAGE	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.3
1962 January	266.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	275.6	263.8	276.5	282.4
February	265.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	276.5	264.0	276.0	280.1
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April	243.7	211.5	232.0	218.2	264.8	266.0	233.4	211.0	231.9	289.2
May	244.9	218.2	232.5	217.1	265.6	266.9	234.3	212.0	235.2	286.2

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JUNE 1963

A preliminary estimate places the index of farm prices at 250.1 for June 1963. This is 5.5 points or 2.2 per cent above the revised estimate of 244.6 for the month of May. This gain is attributable almost entirely to higher prices for potatoes, hogs, lambs and eggs. Little or no change was noted for the prices of the remaining products considered in the index.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	June(2) 1963	May(2) 1963	June 1962	1962(3)	1961	1960
Prince Edward Island	248.1	218.2	195.0	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	241.1	231.7	226.4	230.7	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	229.3	216.8	218.6	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	271.6	265.9	272.1	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	272.9	265.7	271.9	273.2	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	237.7	234.4	282.2	265.2	262.0	241.2
Saskatchewan	214.6	212.0	268.0	247.7	251.3	224.6
Alberta	239.6	235.2	287.2	267.5	265.9	239.0
British Columbia ...	291.3	286.5	287.3	287.9	276.3	271.4
Canada	250.1	244.6	272.8	263.9	261.2	250.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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AVERAGE	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.3
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May	244.6	218.2	231.7	216.8	265.9	265.7	234.4	212.0	235.2	286.5
June	250.1	248.1	241.1	229.3	271.6	272.9	237.7	214.6	239.6	291.3

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JULY 1963

The index of farm prices continued to move up in July when it advanced from the revised estimate of 250.2 for June to 253.4. This increase is attributable for the most part to higher prices for potatoes, eggs and livestock, particularly cattle. Little or no change was noted in the prices of other farm products considered in the index.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	July(2) 1963	June(2) 1963	July 1962	1962(3)	1961	1960
Prince Edward Island	233.1	248.3	211.6	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	244.9	240.2	236.0	230.7	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	251.1	229.1	236.3	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	276.0	271.6	275.9	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	277.7	273.4	278.5	273.8	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	239.8	237.9	284.9	265.2	262.0	241.2
Saskatchewan	216.3	214.6	271.5	247.7	251.3	224.6
Alberta	242.0	239.5	290.9	267.5	265.9	239.0
British Columbia ...	293.1	291.1	292.6	287.9	276.3	271.4
Canada	253.4	250.2	277.8	264.0	261.2	250.0

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November	265.3	169.3	223.4	200.8	275.1	265.1	271.5	262.4	273.2	281.5
December	266.5	176.7	223.4	200.3	273.3	264.7	276.4	263.7	276.8	281.3
AVERAGE	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.3
1962										
January	266.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	275.6	263.8	276.5	282.4
February	265.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	276.5	264.0	276.0	280.1
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AVERAGE	264.0	196.2	230.7	215.3	273.5	273.8	265.2	247.7	267.5	287.9
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January	251.3	202.4	236.9	223.3	276.6	278.0	237.9	215.8	238.3	287.1
February	250.1	229.2	241.4	235.6	278.2	274.6	237.9	213.2	236.1	284.9
March	247.4	228.3	237.6	236.9	276.5	269.6	234.8	212.9	232.7	286.1
April	243.6	211.5	232.0	218.2	264.8	265.7	233.4	211.0	231.9	289.2
May	244.8	218.2	231.7	216.8	265.9	266.4	234.4	212.0	235.2	286.5
June	250.2	248.3	240.2	229.1	271.6	273.4	237.9	214.6	239.5	291.1
July	253.4	233.1	244.9	251.1	276.0	277.7	239.8	216.3	242.0	293.1

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

AUGUST 1963

The index of farm prices, which rose steadily since April to reach 253.2 in July, moved downward to 252.1 in August. This decline can be attributed for the most part to lower prices for potatoes and some grains. The only notable price increase was recorded for eggs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Aug. (2) 1963	July (2) 1963	Aug. (2) 1962	1962 (3)	1961	1960
Prince Edward Island	217.8	231.7	264.0	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	236.3	242.9	243.5	230.7	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	231.4	249.9	259.7	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	272.7	274.5	279.4	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	276.6	277.7	285.6	273.8	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	239.4	239.8	251.4	265.2	262.0	241.2
Saskatchewan	216.8	216.3	228.6	247.7	251.3	224.6
Alberta	243.1	242.0	255.5	267.5	265.9	239.0
British Columbia ...	290.6	292.9	294.8	287.9	276.3	271.4
Canada	252.1	253.2	262.9	264.0	261.2	250.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1962, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1962 are final prices. From August 1, 1962 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1962 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 66.1 cents per bushel paid on the 1961 durum wheat crop and the final payment of 43.0 cents paid on the 1961 crop of spring wheat (other than Durum). All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961 August	263.9	212.4	223.8	228.1	270.3	259.6	269.4	265.8	271.7	270.4
September ..	266.6	186.8	225.6	207.1	272.9	264.0	272.3	265.6	277.0	281.5
October	265.2	172.4	221.8	203.0	272.2	264.7	273.1	261.0	275.2	283.2
November ...	265.3	169.3	223.4	200.8	275.1	265.1	271.5	262.4	273.2	281.5
December ...	266.5	176.7	223.4	200.3	273.3	264.7	276.4	263.7	276.8	281.3
AVERAGE	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.3
1962 January	266.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	275.6	263.8	276.5	282.4
February ...	265.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	276.5	264.0	276.0	280.1
March	265.7	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	277.1	263.8	277.1	281.3
April	266.1	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	277.1	264.6	279.8	281.9
May	267.9	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	278.6	266.3	282.9	282.9
June	272.8	195.0	226.4	218.6	272.1	271.9	282.2	268.0	287.2	287.3
July	277.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	275.9	278.5	284.9	271.5	290.9	292.6
August	262.9	264.0	243.5	259.7	279.4	285.6	251.4	228.6	255.5	294.8
September ..	257.9	197.1	235.7	218.3	272.2	283.7	248.7	223.5	252.7	294.8
October	255.9	208.8	234.2	222.5	274.5	283.1	245.5	220.4	245.1	295.7
November ...	254.9	194.0	234.2	207.1	275.7	283.5	242.8	219.4	243.7	293.0
December ...	254.0	201.1	235.6	211.5	277.8	281.3	242.4	218.4	242.8	287.9
AVERAGE	264.0	196.2	230.7	215.3	273.5	273.8	265.2	247.7	267.5	287.9
1963 January	251.3	202.4	236.9	223.3	276.6	278.0	237.9	215.8	238.3	287.1
February ...	250.1	229.2	241.4	235.6	278.2	274.6	237.9	213.2	236.1	284.9
March	247.4	228.3	237.6	236.9	276.5	269.6	234.8	212.9	232.7	286.1
April	243.6	211.5	232.0	218.2	264.8	265.7	233.4	211.0	231.9	289.2
May	244.8	218.2	231.7	216.8	265.9	266.4	234.4	212.0	235.2	286.5
June	250.2	248.3	240.2	229.1	271.6	273.4	237.9	214.6	239.5	291.1
July	253.2	231.7	242.9	249.9	274.5	277.7	239.8	216.3	242.0	292.9
August	252.1	217.8	236.3	231.4	272.7	276.6	239.4	216.8	243.1	290.6

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SEPTEMBER 1963

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for September is estimated at 251.1. This is 1.1 points below the revised estimate of 252.2 for the previous month. The decline in the index between August and September can be attributed for the most part to lower prices for livestock and potatoes. Some offset to these lower prices was provided by increased prices for poultry products. Little or no change was recorded for the other commodities considered in the index.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Sept.(2) 1963	Aug.(2) 1963	Sept.(2) 1962	1962(3)	1961	1960
Prince Edward Island	203.8	217.9	197.1	196.2	197.7	165.0
Nova Scotia	232.4	236.9	235.7	230.7	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	217.4	231.7	218.3	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	270.7	273.5	272.2	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	275.3	276.5	283.7	273.8	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	237.2	239.3	248.7	265.2	262.0	241.2
Saskatchewan	217.6	216.7	223.5	247.7	251.3	224.6
Alberta	244.9	243.1	252.7	267.5	265.9	239.0
British Columbia ...	286.1	291.0	294.8	287.9	276.3	271.4
Canada	251.1	252.2	257.9	264.0	261.2	250.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1962, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1962 are final prices. From August 1, 1962 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1962 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 66.1 cents per bushel paid on the 1961 durum wheat crop and the final payment of 43.0 cents paid on the 1961 crop of spring wheat (other than Durum). All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.3
1962										
January ...	266.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	275.6	263.8	276.5	282.4
February ..	265.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	276.5	264.0	276.0	280.1
March	265.7	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	277.1	263.8	277.1	281.3
April	266.1	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	277.1	264.6	279.8	281.9
May	267.9	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	278.6	266.3	282.9	282.9
June	272.8	195.0	226.4	218.6	272.1	271.9	282.2	268.0	287.2	287.3
July	277.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	275.9	278.5	284.9	271.5	290.9	292.6
August ...	262.9	264.0	243.5	259.7	279.4	285.6	251.4	228.6	255.5	294.8
September	257.9	197.1	235.7	218.3	272.2	283.7	248.7	223.5	252.7	294.8
October ...	255.9	208.8	234.2	222.5	274.5	283.1	245.5	220.4	245.1	295.7
November ..	254.9	194.0	234.2	207.1	275.7	283.5	242.8	219.4	243.7	293.0
December ..	254.0	201.1	235.6	211.5	277.8	281.3	242.4	218.4	242.8	287.9
AVERAGE ...	264.0	196.2	230.7	215.3	273.5	273.8	265.2	247.7	267.5	287.9
1963										
January ...	251.3	202.4	236.9	223.3	276.6	278.0	237.9	215.8	238.3	287.1
February ..	250.1	229.2	241.4	235.6	278.2	274.6	237.9	213.2	236.1	284.9
March	247.4	228.3	237.6	236.9	276.5	269.6	234.8	212.9	232.7	286.1
April	243.6	211.5	232.0	218.2	264.8	265.7	233.4	211.0	231.9	289.2
May	244.8	218.2	231.7	216.8	265.9	266.4	234.4	212.0	235.2	286.5
June	250.2	248.3	240.2	229.1	271.6	273.4	237.9	214.6	239.5	291.1
July	253.2	231.7	242.9	249.9	274.5	277.7	239.8	216.3	242.0	292.9
August	252.2	217.9	236.9	231.7	273.5	276.5	239.3	216.7	243.1	291.0
September	251.1	203.8	232.4	217.4	270.7	275.3	237.2	217.6	244.9	286.1

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products for October is estimated at 247.5. This is 4.5 points below the revised estimate of 252.0 for September, and 8.4 points below the estimate of 255.9 for October 1962. The decline in the index between September and October is attributable for the most part to lower prices for livestock and potatoes. Lower prices for the same two products were also largely responsible for the drop in the index between October 1962 and October 1963.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Oct.(2) 1963	Sept.(2) 1963	Oct.(2) 1962	1962(3)	1961	1960
Prince Edward Island	175.7	204.0	208.8	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	232.9	233.3	234.2	230.7	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	208.2	217.8	222.5	215.3	220.4	264.7
Quebec	269.8	273.0	274.5	273.5	274.4	273.6
Ontario	273.3	276.9	283.1	273.8	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	232.4	237.3	245.5	265.2	262.0	241.2
Saskatchewan	215.2	217.9	220.4	247.7	251.3	224.6
Alberta	237.3	245.0	245.1	267.5	265.9	239.0
British Columbia ...	284.8	286.2	295.7	287.9	276.3	271.4
Canada	247.5	252.0	255.9	264.0	261.2	250.0

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(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1962 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.3
1962 January ...	266.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	275.6	263.8	276.5	282.4
February ..	265.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	276.5	264.0	276.0	280.1
March	265.7	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	277.1	263.8	277.1	281.3
April	266.1	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	277.1	264.6	279.8	281.9
May	267.9	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	278.6	266.3	282.9	282.9
June	272.8	195.0	226.4	218.6	272.1	271.9	282.2	268.0	287.2	287.3
July	277.8	211.6	236.0	236.3	275.9	278.5	284.9	271.5	290.9	292.6
August	262.9	264.0	243.5	259.7	279.4	285.6	251.4	228.6	255.5	294.8
September ...	257.9	197.1	235.7	218.3	272.2	283.7	248.7	223.5	252.7	294.8
October ...	255.9	208.8	234.2	222.5	274.5	283.1	245.5	220.4	245.1	295.7
November ..	254.9	194.0	234.2	207.1	275.7	283.5	242.8	219.4	243.7	293.0
December ...	254.0	201.1	235.6	211.5	277.8	281.3	242.4	218.4	242.8	287.9
AVERAGE ...	264.0	196.2	230.7	215.3	273.5	273.8	265.2	247.7	267.5	287.9
1963 January ...	251.3	202.4	236.9	223.3	276.6	278.0	237.9	215.8	238.3	287.1
February ..	250.1	229.2	241.4	235.6	278.2	274.6	237.9	213.2	236.1	284.9
March	247.4	228.3	237.6	236.9	276.5	269.6	234.8	212.9	232.7	286.1
April	243.6	211.5	232.0	218.2	264.8	265.7	233.4	211.0	231.9	289.2
May	244.8	218.2	231.7	216.8	265.9	266.4	234.4	212.0	235.2	286.5
June	250.2	248.3	240.2	229.1	271.6	273.4	237.9	214.6	239.5	291.1
July	253.2	231.7	242.9	249.9	274.5	277.7	239.8	216.3	242.0	292.9
August	252.2	217.9	236.9	231.7	273.5	276.5	239.3	216.7	243.1	291.0
September ...	252.0	204.0	233.3	217.8	273.0	276.9	237.3	217.9	245.0	286.2
October ...	247.5	175.7	232.9	208.2	269.8	273.3	232.4	215.2	237.3	284.8

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

NOVEMBER 1963

The index of farm prices which has moved steadily downward since July continued to decline between October and November. Estimated at 245.2, the index for November was 2.5 points below the revised figure of 247.7 for the previous month, and 8 points below the July level. The decline in the index between October and November is attributable to lower prices for livestock and poultry products which were only partially offset by increased prices for potatoes. The downward movement since July has been due for the most part to declining livestock prices.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Nov. (2) 1963	Oct. (2) 1963	Nov. (2) 1962	1962(3)	1961	1960
Prince Edward Island	185.3	175.6	194.0	196.2	197.7	265.0
Nova Scotia	224.9	233.4	235.5	231.1	225.4	238.0
New Brunswick	209.2	208.0	206.7	215.2	220.4	264.7
Quebec	270.5	273.5	277.3	274.2	274.4	273.6
Ontario	271.9	273.7	283.5	273.8	265.2	264.3
Manitoba	227.7	232.5	242.8	265.2	262.0	241.2
Saskatchewan	212.1	215.3	219.4	247.7	251.3	224.6
Alberta	235.1	237.4	243.7	267.5	265.9	239.0
British Columbia ...	275.6	276.2	283.8	284.3	276.1	271.4
Canada	245.2	247.7	254.7	264.0	261.2	250.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1962, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1962 are final prices. From August 1, 1962 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1962 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the final payment of 66.1 cents per bushel paid on the 1961 durum wheat crop and the final payment of 43.0 cents paid on the 1961 crop of spring wheat (other than Durum). All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices have been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P. E. I.	N. S.	N. B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.1
1962 January	266.7	176.5	226.0	201.9	273.8	265.1	275.6	263.8	276.5	282.0
February ...	265.7	172.0	224.8	201.8	273.8	262.4	276.5	264.0	276.0	279.7
March	265.7	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	277.1	263.8	277.1	280.9
April	266.2	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	277.1	264.6	279.8	282.0
May	267.9	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	278.6	266.3	282.9	283.0
June	272.8	195.0	226.4	218.4	272.5	271.9	282.2	268.0	287.2	287.1
July	277.8	211.6	236.0	236.1	277.0	278.5	284.9	271.5	290.9	290.4
August	262.9	264.0	243.5	259.5	280.5	285.6	251.4	228.6	255.5	292.5
September ..	257.8	197.1	237.1	217.9	273.7	283.7	248.7	223.5	252.7	285.6
October	255.7	208.8	235.6	222.1	276.0	283.1	245.5	220.4	245.1	286.5
November ...	254.7	194.0	235.5	206.7	277.3	283.5	242.8	219.4	243.7	283.8
December ...	253.8	201.1	237.0	211.1	279.3	281.3	242.4	218.4	242.8	278.6
AVERAGE	264.0	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.2	273.8	265.2	247.7	267.5	284.3
1963 January	251.1	202.4	238.3	222.9	278.1	278.0	237.9	215.8	238.3	277.8
February ...	249.9	229.2	242.8	235.2	279.7	274.6	237.9	213.2	236.1	275.6
March	247.2	228.3	239.0	236.5	278.0	269.6	234.8	212.9	232.7	276.8
April	243.4	211.5	233.4	217.8	266.3	265.7	233.4	211.0	231.9	280.4
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August	252.2	217.9	238.3	231.1	275.8	276.3	239.3	216.7	243.1	284.7
September ..	252.0	204.0	234.0	217.1	275.6	277.2	237.3	217.9	245.0	277.8
October	247.7	175.6	233.4	208.0	273.5	273.7	232.5	215.3	237.4	276.2
November ...	245.2	185.3	224.9	209.2	270.5	271.9	227.7	212.1	235.1	275.6

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The downward trend in the index of farm prices, which has been in evidence since July continued into December. Estimated at 244.6, the index for December is fractionally below the revised estimate of 245.3 for November. Prices were lower for livestock and eggs, but higher for potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Dec. (2) 1963	Nov. (2) 1963	Dec. (2) 1963	1963 (2)	1962 (3)	1961
Prince Edward Island	192.7	185.3	201.1	212.1	196.2	197.7
Nova Scotia	225.9	225.7	237.0	235.8	231.1	225.4
New Brunswick	212.4	209.4	211.1	223.7	215.2	220.4
Quebec	273.2	270.8	280.0	274.1	274.7	274.4
Ontario	271.0	271.5	280.3	272.1	273.6	265.2
Manitoba	227.1	228.1	242.4	235.0	265.2	262.0
Saskatchewan	211.0	212.3	218.4	214.1	247.7	251.3
Alberta	232.6	235.2	242.8	237.4	267.5	265.9
British Columbia ...	274.5	275.6	278.6	278.9	284.3	276.1
Canada	244.6	245.3	253.6	248.2	264.0	261.2

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(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
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February	265.7	176.1	221.9	205.5	271.5	262.2	277.1	263.8	277.1	280.9
March	266.2	168.3	224.9	199.0	267.6	263.3	277.1	264.6	279.8	282.0
April	267.9	189.4	224.8	201.8	267.3	264.6	278.6	266.3	282.9	283.0
May	272.8	195.0	226.4	218.4	272.5	271.9	282.2	268.0	287.2	287.1
June	277.8	211.6	236.0	236.1	277.0	278.5	284.9	271.5	290.9	290.4
July	262.9	264.0	243.5	259.5	280.5	285.6	251.4	228.6	255.5	292.5
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November	253.6	201.1	237.0	211.1	280.0	280.3	242.4	218.4	242.8	278.6
December	264.0	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.7	273.6	265.2	247.7	267.5	284.3
AVERAGE	250.8	202.4	238.3	222.9	278.1	277.0	237.9	215.8	238.3	277.8
1963	249.5	229.2	242.8	235.2	279.7	273.5	237.9	213.2	236.1	275.6
January	246.9	228.3	239.0	236.5	278.0	268.5	234.8	212.9	232.7	276.8
February	243.1	211.5	233.4	217.8	266.3	264.7	233.4	211.0	231.9	280.4
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April	249.8	248.3	241.6	228.5	273.5	272.3	237.9	214.6	239.5	282.8
May	252.9	231.7	244.3	249.3	276.8	276.7	239.8	216.3	242.0	286.3
June	251.9	217.9	238.3	231.1	275.8	275.3	239.3	216.7	243.1	284.7
July	251.7	204.0	234.0	217.1	275.6	276.2	237.3	217.9	245.0	277.8
August	247.4	175.6	233.4	208.0	273.5	272.7	232.5	215.3	237.4	276.2
September	245.3	185.3	225.7	209.4	270.8	271.5	228.1	212.3	235.2	275.6
October	244.6	192.7	225.9	212.4	273.2	271.0	227.1	211.0	232.6	274.5
November	248.2	212.1	235.8	223.7	274.1	272.1	235.0	214.1	237.4	278.9
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(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products continued to decline as it moved from 244.7 in December to 242.9 in January. Prices of potatoes rose between December and January, but prices of livestock and eggs were lower. The index has not been revised to include the recently announced final payment on the 1962 Western Wheat Crop. These revisions will be included in the report to be issued early in April.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Jan. (2) 1964	Dec. (2) 1963	Jan. (2) 1963	1963(2)	1962(3)	1961
Prince Edward Island	200.7	192.8	202.4	212.1	196.2	197.7
Nova Scotia	229.5	226.3	238.3	235.8	231.1	225.4
New Brunswick	214.1	212.5	222.9	223.7	215.2	220.4
Quebec	276.9	274.4	278.1	274.2	274.7	274.4
Ontario	264.1	270.5	277.0	272.0	273.6	265.2
Manitoba	226.2	227.1	237.9	235.0	265.2	262.0
Saskatchewan	211.3	211.1	215.8	214.1	247.7	251.3
Alberta	231.2	232.6	238.3	237.4	267.5	265.9
British Columbia ...	272.9	274.6	277.8	278.9	284.3	276.1
Canada	242.9	244.7	250.8	248.2	264.0	261.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1962, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1962 are final prices. From August 1, 1962 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1962 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

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1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.1
1962 August	262.9	264.0	243.5	259.5	280.5	285.6	251.4	228.6	255.5	292.5
September ..	257.9	197.1	237.1	217.9	274.6	283.7	248.7	223.5	252.7	285.6
October	255.8	208.8	235.6	222.1	277.0	283.1	245.5	220.4	245.1	286.5
November ...	254.5	194.0	235.5	206.7	278.4	282.5	242.8	219.4	243.7	283.8
December ...	253.6	201.1	237.0	211.1	280.0	280.3	242.4	218.4	242.8	278.6
AVERAGE	264.0	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.7	273.6	265.2	247.7	267.5	284.3
1963 January	250.8	202.4	238.3	222.9	278.1	277.0	237.9	215.8	238.3	277.8
February ...	249.5	229.2	242.8	235.2	279.7	273.5	237.9	213.2	236.1	275.6
March	246.9	228.3	239.0	236.5	278.0	268.5	234.8	212.9	232.7	276.8
April	243.1	211.5	233.4	217.8	266.3	264.7	233.4	211.0	231.9	280.4
May	244.3	218.2	233.1	216.4	267.4	265.4	234.4	212.0	235.2	278.0
June	249.8	248.3	241.6	228.5	273.5	272.3	237.9	214.6	239.5	282.8
July	252.9	231.7	244.3	249.3	276.8	276.7	239.8	216.3	242.0	286.3
August	251.9	217.9	238.3	231.1	275.8	275.3	239.3	216.7	243.1	284.7
September ..	251.7	204.0	234.0	217.1	275.6	276.2	237.3	217.9	245.0	277.8
October	247.4	175.6	233.4	208.0	273.5	272.7	232.5	215.3	237.4	276.2
November ...	245.3	185.3	225.7	209.4	270.8	271.5	228.1	212.3	235.2	275.6
December ...	244.7	192.8	226.3	212.5	274.4	270.5	227.1	211.1	232.6	274.6
AVERAGE	248.2	212.1	235.8	223.7	274.2	272.0	235.0	214.1	237.4	278.9
1964 January	242.9	200.7	229.5	214.1	276.9	264.1	226.2	211.3	231.2	272.9

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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FEBRUARY 1964

The index of farm prices of agricultural products was estimated at 244.6 for February, 1.1 points above the revised estimate of 243.5 for January. This increase is attributable to higher prices for livestock more than offsetting lower prices for potatoes and poultry products. The index has been revised for the twelve-month period August 1962 to July 1963 to include the recently announced final payment of 42.5 cents per bushel made on the 1962 Western wheat crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Feb.(2) 1964	Jan.(2) 1964	Feb.(3) 1963	1963(4)	1962(5)	1961
Prince Edward Island	186.7	200.8	229.2	212.1	196.2	197.7
Nova Scotia	227.0	229.4	242.8	235.8	231.1	225.4
New Brunswick	213.0	214.7	235.2	223.7	215.2	220.4
Quebec	275.6	276.5	279.7	274.2	274.7	274.4
Ontario	269.0	266.4	273.5	271.4	273.6	265.2
Manitoba	227.9	225.9	263.9	250.2	276.1	262.0
Saskatchewan	211.9	211.3	253.0	237.3	264.3	251.3
Alberta	232.6	231.2	270.6	257.5	281.9	265.9
British Columbia ...	274.6	272.8	276.0	279.2	284.5	276.1
Canada	244.6	243.5	266.8	258.0	271.1	261.2

- (1) Excludes Newfoundland.
- (2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- (3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices for oats and barley and final price for wheat.
- (4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final price for wheat and initial prices for oats and barley for the period January to July inclusive. For the remainder of the year the prices are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley.
- (5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final price for wheat and initial prices for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive. For the remaining months, the prices used for these three grains are final prices.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1962, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1962 are final prices. From August 1, 1962 to July 31, 1963 Western grain prices are final for wheat but initial only for oats and barley; from August 1, 1963 to date, only initial prices are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1963 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payment of 42.5 cents per bushel made on the 1962 Western wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.1
1962	280.1	264.0	243.5	259.5	280.5	285.6	277.5	268.4	290.0	292.8
August	275.1	197.1	237.1	217.9	274.6	283.7	274.8	263.3	287.2	286.0
September	273.0	208.8	235.6	222.1	277.0	283.1	271.5	260.2	279.6	286.9
October	271.7	194.0	235.5	206.7	278.4	282.5	268.8	259.2	278.2	284.1
November	270.8	201.1	237.0	211.1	280.0	280.3	268.5	258.2	277.3	279.0
December	271.1	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.7	273.6	276.1	264.3	281.9	284.5
AVERAGE										
1963	268.0	202.4	238.3	222.9	278.1	277.0	264.0	255.6	272.8	278.2
January	266.8	229.2	242.8	235.2	279.7	273.5	263.9	253.0	270.6	276.0
February	264.1	228.3	239.0	236.5	278.0	268.5	260.9	252.7	267.2	277.2
March	260.4	211.5	233.4	217.8	266.3	265.0	259.4	250.8	266.4	280.8
April	261.6	218.2	233.1	216.4	267.4	265.7	260.5	251.8	269.7	278.4
May	267.1	248.3	241.6	228.5	273.5	272.8	264.0	254.4	273.9	283.1
June	270.0	231.7	244.3	249.3	276.8	276.4	265.9	256.1	276.5	286.7
July	251.2	217.9	238.3	231.1	275.8	272.9	239.3	216.7	243.1	285.0
August	251.5	204.0	234.0	217.1	275.6	275.5	237.3	217.9	245.0	278.1
September	246.8	175.6	233.4	208.0	273.5	270.5	232.5	215.3	237.4	276.5
October	244.8	185.3	225.7	209.4	270.8	269.8	228.1	212.3	235.2	275.9
November	244.2	192.8	226.3	212.5	274.4	269.0	227.1	211.1	232.6	274.9
December	258.0	212.1	235.8	223.7	274.2	271.4	250.2	237.3	257.5	279.2
AVERAGE	243.5	200.8	229.4	214.7	276.5	266.4	225.9	211.3	231.2	272.8
1964	244.6	186.7	227.0	213.0	275.6	269.0	227.9	211.9	232.6	274.6
January										
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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.
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MARCH 1964

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for March was estimated at 245.3, fractionally above the revised figure of 244.9 for February. This increase reflects slightly higher prices for livestock and potatoes in some provinces. Lower prices were recorded for poultry products.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Mar.(2) 1964	Feb.(2) 1964	Mar.(3) 1963	1963(4)	1962(5)	1961
Prince Edward Island	181.7	186.9	228.3	212.1	196.2	197.7
Nova Scotia	228.5	227.2	239.0	235.8	231.1	225.4
New Brunswick	217.2	213.0	236.5	223.7	215.2	220.4
Quebec	273.2	275.0	278.0	274.2	274.7	274.4
Ontario	268.4	270.1	268.5	271.4	273.6	265.2
Manitoba	230.9	227.9	260.9	250.2	276.1	262.0
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1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.1
1962 August	280.1	264.0	243.5	259.5	280.5	285.6	277.5	268.4	290.0	292.8
September	275.1	197.1	237.1	217.9	274.6	283.7	274.8	263.3	287.2	286.0
October	273.0	208.8	235.6	222.1	277.0	283.1	271.5	260.2	279.6	286.9
November	271.7	194.0	235.5	206.7	278.4	282.5	268.8	259.2	278.2	284.1
December	270.8	201.1	237.0	211.1	280.0	280.3	268.5	258.2	277.3	279.0
AVERAGE	271.1	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.7	273.6	276.1	264.3	281.9	284.5
1963 January	268.0	202.4	238.3	222.9	278.1	277.0	264.0	255.6	272.8	278.2
February	266.8	229.2	242.8	235.2	279.7	273.5	263.9	253.0	270.6	276.0
March	264.1	228.3	239.0	236.5	278.0	268.5	260.9	252.7	267.2	277.2
April	260.4	211.5	233.4	217.8	266.3	265.0	259.4	250.8	266.4	280.8
May	261.6	218.2	233.1	216.4	267.4	265.7	260.5	251.8	269.7	278.4
June	267.1	248.3	241.6	228.5	273.5	272.8	264.0	254.4	273.9	283.1
July	270.0	231.7	244.3	249.3	276.8	276.4	265.9	256.1	276.5	286.7
August	251.2	217.9	238.3	231.1	275.8	272.9	239.3	216.7	243.1	285.0
September	251.5	204.0	234.0	217.1	275.6	275.5	237.3	217.9	245.0	278.1
October	246.8	175.6	233.4	208.0	273.5	270.5	232.5	215.3	237.4	276.5
November	244.8	185.3	225.7	209.4	270.8	269.8	228.1	212.3	235.2	275.9
December	244.2	192.8	226.3	212.5	274.4	269.0	227.1	211.1	232.6	274.9
AVERAGE	258.0	212.1	235.8	223.7	274.2	271.4	250.2	237.3	257.5	279.2
1964 January	243.8	200.8	229.4	214.7	277.7	266.9	225.9	211.3	231.2	272.8
February	244.9	186.9	227.2	213.0	275.0	270.1	227.9	211.8	232.9	274.9
March	245.3	181.7	228.5	217.2	273.2	268.4	230.9	213.2	235.0	276.3

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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APRIL 1964

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for April was estimated at 245.4, the same as the revised index for March. Higher prices for potatoes were offset by lower prices for poultry products. No significant differences were noted in the prices for the remaining products considered in the index.

The index has been revised for the period August 1962 to July 1963 in order to take into account the recently announced final payments on the 1962 crops of oats and barley of 12.4 cents and 18.2 cents per bushel respectively.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Apr.(2) 1964	Mar.(2) 1964	Apr. 1963	1963(3)	1962	1961
Prince Edward Island ..	211.4	180.7	211.5	212.1	196.2	197.7
Nova Scotia	232.1	228.6	233.4	235.8	231.1	225.4
New Brunswick	223.6	210.6	217.8	223.7	215.2	220.4
Quebec	270.9	273.5	266.3	274.2	274.7	274.4
Ontario	268.2	268.8	265.0	271.4	273.6	265.2
Manitoba	229.7	231.0	265.0	253.4	278.4	262.0
Saskatchewan	213.5	213.3	252.4	238.4	265.3	251.3
Alberta	236.1	235.8	270.4	260.6	283.4	265.9
British Columbia	278.4	276.0	280.8	279.2	284.5	276.1
Canada	245.4	245.4	262.0	259.2	271.8	261.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1963, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1963 are final prices. From August 1, 1963 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1963 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payments on the 1962 crop of wheat and barley of 12.4 cents and 18.2 cents per bushel respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.4	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.1
1962 August	281.7	264.0	243.5	259.5	280.5	285.6	283.0	271.0	292.6	292.8
September	276.6	197.1	237.1	217.9	274.6	283.7	280.4	265.9	289.9	286.0
October	274.4	208.8	235.6	222.1	277.0	283.1	277.1	261.8	282.2	286.8
November	273.7	194.0	235.5	206.7	278.4	282.5	274.4	261.8	283.0	284.1
December	272.8	201.1	237.0	211.1	280.0	280.3	274.0	260.8	282.1	279.0
AVERAGE	271.8	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.7	273.6	278.4	265.3	283.4	284.5
1963 January	269.8	202.5	238.3	227.0	278.1	277.0	269.6	258.2	276.8	278.2
February	268.6	229.2	242.8	235.2	279.7	273.5	269.5	255.6	274.6	276.0
March	265.7	228.3	239.0	236.5	278.0	268.5	266.5	254.4	271.2	277.2
April	262.0	211.5	233.4	217.8	266.3	265.0	265.0	252.4	270.4	280.8
May	263.3	218.2	233.1	216.4	267.4	265.7	266.0	253.5	273.7	278.3
June	268.7	248.3	241.6	228.5	273.5	272.8	269.6	256.1	277.9	283.1
July	271.7	231.7	244.3	249.3	276.8	276.4	270.8	257.8	281.3	286.7
August	251.6	217.9	238.3	231.1	275.8	272.9	239.3	216.7	245.3	285.0
September	251.9	204.0	234.0	217.1	275.6	275.5	237.3	217.9	247.1	278.1
October	247.2	175.6	233.4	208.0	273.5	270.5	232.5	215.3	239.5	276.5
November	244.9	185.3	225.7	209.4	270.8	269.8	228.1	212.3	236.0	275.9
December	244.4	192.8	226.3	212.3	274.4	269.0	227.1	211.1	233.4	274.9
AVERAGE	259.2	212.1	235.8	223.7	274.2	271.4	253.4	238.4	260.6	279.2
1964 January	243.9	200.8	229.4	214.7	277.7	266.9	225.9	211.3	231.9	272.6
February	245.0	186.9	227.2	211.7	275.0	270.1	227.9	211.8	233.6	274.3
March	245.4	180.7	228.6	210.6	273.5	268.8	231.0	213.3	235.8	276.0
April	245.4	211.4	232.1	223.6	270.9	268.2	229.7	213.5	236.1	278.4

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

MAY 1964

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 247.3 for May, 1.5 points above the revised index of 245.8 for April. Contributing to this gain were higher prices for livestock and potatoes. Prices for both poultry meat and eggs were down.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	May(2) 1964	Apr.(2) 1964	May 1963	1963(3)	1962	1961
Prince Edward Island ..	264.7	211.4	218.2	212.1	196.2	197.7
Nova Scotia	238.1	232.1	233.1	235.8	231.1	225.4
New Brunswick	253.7	223.6	216.4	223.7	215.2	220.4
Quebec	271.6	271.7	268.4	275.0	274.8	274.3
Ontario	269.4	268.3	265.7	271.4	273.6	265.2
Manitoba	229.5	229.6	266.0	253.4	278.4	262.0
Saskatchewan	212.9	213.4	253.5	238.4	265.3	251.3
Alberta	236.3	236.1	273.7	260.6	283.4	265.9
British Columbia	277.6	278.7	278.3	279.2	284.5	276.1
Canada	247.3	245.8	263.4	259.3	271.9	261.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1963, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1963 are final prices. From August 1, 1963 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revision in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1963 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payments on the 1962 crops of oats and barley of 12.4 cents and 18.2 cents per bushel respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.3	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.1
1962	281.7	264.0	243.5	259.5	280.7	285.6	283.0	271.0	292.6	292.8
August	276.6	197.1	237.1	217.9	274.8	283.7	280.4	265.9	289.9	286.0
September	274.4	208.8	235.6	222.1	277.2	283.1	277.1	261.8	282.2	286.8
October	273.7	194.0	235.5	206.7	278.6	282.5	274.4	261.8	283.0	284.1
November	272.8	201.1	237.0	211.1	280.2	280.3	274.0	260.8	282.1	279.0
December	271.9	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.8	273.6	278.4	265.3	283.4	284.5
AVERAGE										
1963	269.9	202.4	238.3	222.9	278.4	277.0	269.6	258.2	276.8	278.2
January	268.6	229.2	242.8	235.2	280.0	273.5	269.5	255.6	274.6	276.0
February	265.8	228.3	239.0	236.5	279.0	268.5	266.5	254.4	271.2	277.2
March	262.2	211.5	233.4	217.8	267.3	265.0	265.0	252.4	270.4	280.8
April	263.4	218.2	233.1	216.4	268.4	265.7	266.0	253.5	273.7	278.3
May	268.8	248.3	241.6	228.5	274.4	272.8	269.6	256.1	277.9	283.1
June	271.8	231.7	244.3	249.3	277.8	276.4	270.8	257.8	281.3	286.7
July	251.7	217.9	238.3	231.1	276.8	272.9	239.3	216.7	245.3	285.0
August	252.1	204.0	234.0	217.1	276.6	275.5	237.3	217.9	247.1	278.1
September	247.3	175.6	233.4	208.0	274.4	270.5	232.5	215.3	239.5	276.5
October	245.0	185.3	225.7	209.4	271.7	269.8	228.1	212.3	236.0	275.9
November	244.5	192.8	226.3	212.5	275.3	269.0	227.1	211.1	233.4	274.9
December	259.3	212.1	235.8	223.7	275.0	271.4	253.4	238.4	260.6	279.2
AVERAGE										
1964	244.0	200.8	229.4	214.7	278.7	266.9	225.9	211.3	231.9	272.6
January	245.1	186.9	227.2	211.7	276.0	270.1	227.9	211.8	233.6	274.3
February	245.5	180.7	228.6	210.6	274.2	268.8	231.0	213.3	235.8	276.0
March	245.8	211.4	232.1	223.6	271.7	268.3	229.6	213.4	236.1	278.7
April	247.3	264.7	238.1	253.7	271.6	269.4	229.5	212.9	236.3	277.6
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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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JUNE 1964

The index of farm prices, which moved up from 247.5 in May to 253.6 in June, continued the upward trend in evidence since last January. The rise between May and June is almost entirely attributable to higher prices for livestock, particularly hogs, and potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	June(2) 1964	May(2) 1964	June 1963	1963(3)	1962	1961
Prince Edward Island ..	357.0	264.7	248.3	212.1	196.2	197.7
Nova Scotia	257.5	239.7	241.6	235.8	231.1	225.4
New Brunswick	330.2	252.5	228.5	223.7	215.2	220.4
Quebec	282.8	272.0	274.4	275.0	274.8	274.3
Ontario	274.9	269.8	272.8	271.4	273.6	265.2
Manitoba	230.8	229.3	269.6	253.4	278.4	262.0
Saskatchewan	212.4	212.9	256.1	238.4	265.3	251.3
Alberta	238.3	236.3	277.9	260.6	283.4	265.9
British Columbia	277.9	277.5	283.1	279.2	284.5	276.1
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Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.3	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.1
1962	281.7	264.0	243.5	259.5	280.7	285.6	283.0	271.0	292.6	292.8
August	276.6	197.1	237.1	217.9	274.8	283.7	280.4	265.9	289.9	286.0
September	274.4	208.8	235.6	222.1	277.2	283.1	277.1	261.8	282.2	286.8
October	273.7	194.0	235.5	206.7	278.6	282.5	274.4	261.8	283.0	284.1
November	272.8	201.1	237.0	211.1	280.2	280.3	274.0	260.8	282.1	279.0
December	271.9	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.8	273.6	278.4	265.3	283.4	284.5
AVERAGE										
1963	269.9	202.4	238.3	222.9	278.4	277.0	269.6	258.2	276.8	278.2
January	268.6	229.2	242.8	235.2	280.0	273.5	269.5	255.6	274.6	276.0
February	265.8	228.3	239.0	236.5	279.0	268.5	266.5	254.4	271.2	277.2
March	262.2	211.5	233.4	217.8	267.3	265.0	265.0	252.4	270.4	280.8
April	263.4	218.2	233.1	216.4	268.4	265.7	266.0	253.5	273.7	278.3
May	268.8	248.3	241.6	228.5	274.4	272.8	269.6	256.1	277.9	283.1
June	271.8	231.7	244.3	249.3	277.8	276.4	270.8	257.8	281.3	286.7
July	251.7	217.9	238.3	231.1	276.8	272.9	239.3	216.7	245.3	285.0
August	252.1	204.0	234.0	217.1	276.6	275.5	237.3	217.9	247.1	278.1
September	247.3	175.6	233.4	208.0	274.4	270.5	232.5	215.3	259.5	276.5
October	245.0	185.3	225.7	209.4	271.7	269.8	228.1	212.3	236.0	275.9
November	244.5	192.8	226.3	212.5	275.3	269.0	227.1	211.1	233.4	274.9
December	259.3	212.1	235.8	223.7	275.0	271.4	253.4	238.4	260.6	279.2
AVERAGE										
1964	244.0	200.8	229.4	214.7	278.7	266.9	225.9	211.3	231.9	272.6
January	245.1	186.9	227.2	211.7	276.0	270.1	227.9	211.8	233.6	274.3
February	245.5	180.7	228.6	210.6	274.2	268.8	231.0	213.3	235.8	276.0
March	245.8	211.4	232.1	223.6	271.7	268.3	229.6	213.4	236.1	278.7
April	247.5	264.7	239.7	252.5	272.0	269.8	229.3	212.9	236.3	277.5
May	253.6	357.0	257.5	330.2	282.8	274.9	230.8	212.4	238.3	277.9
June										

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS, (1935-39=100)

JULY 1964

The index of farm prices, estimated at 252.1 for July, was down slightly from the estimate of 253.6 for June. Lower prices for livestock and potatoes were than offset slightly higher prices for eggs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	July(2) 1964	June(2) 1964	July 1963	1963(3)	1962	1961
Prince Edward Island ..	318.9	356.8	231.7	212.1	196.2	197.7
Nova Scotia	259.2	257.2	244.3	235.8	231.1	225.4
New Brunswick	296.7	330.0	249.3	223.7	215.2	220.4
Quebec	282.7	283.4	277.8	275.0	274.8	274.3
Ontario	274.2	274.8	276.4	271.4	273.6	265.2
Manitoba	227.9	230.7	270.8	253.4	278.4	262.0
Saskatchewan	212.0	212.3	257.8	238.4	265.3	251.3
Alberta	237.7	238.1	281.3	260.6	283.4	265.9
British Columbia	282.0	277.8	286.7	279.2	284.5	276.1
Canada	252.1	253.6	271.8	259.3	271.9	261.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1963, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1963 are final prices. From August 1, 1963 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1963 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date including the final payments on the 1962 crops of oats and barley of 12.4 cents and 18.2 cents per bushel respectively. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.3	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.1
1962 August	281.7	264.0	243.5	259.5	280.7	285.6	283.0	271.0	292.6	292.8
September	276.6	197.1	237.1	217.9	274.8	283.7	280.4	265.9	289.9	286.0
October	274.4	208.8	235.6	222.1	277.2	283.1	277.1	261.8	282.2	286.8
November	273.7	194.0	235.5	206.7	278.6	282.5	274.4	261.8	283.0	284.1
December	272.8	201.1	237.0	211.1	280.2	280.3	274.0	260.8	282.1	279.0
AVERAGE	271.9	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.8	273.6	278.4	265.3	283.4	284.5
1963 January	269.9	202.4	238.3	222.9	278.4	277.0	269.6	258.2	276.8	278.2
February	268.6	229.2	242.8	235.2	280.0	273.5	269.5	255.6	274.6	276.0
March	265.8	228.3	239.0	236.5	279.0	268.5	266.5	254.4	271.2	277.2
April	262.2	211.5	233.4	217.8	267.3	265.0	265.0	252.4	270.4	280.8
May	263.4	218.2	233.1	216.4	268.4	265.7	266.0	253.5	273.7	278.3
June	268.8	248.3	241.6	228.5	274.4	272.8	269.6	256.1	277.9	283.1
July	271.8	231.7	244.3	249.3	277.8	276.4	270.8	257.8	281.3	286.7
August	251.7	217.9	238.3	231.1	276.8	272.9	239.3	216.7	245.3	285.0
September ...	252.1	204.0	234.0	217.1	276.6	275.5	237.3	217.9	247.1	278.1
October	247.3	175.6	233.4	208.0	274.4	270.5	232.5	215.3	239.5	276.5
November	245.0	185.3	225.7	209.4	271.7	269.8	228.1	212.3	236.0	275.9
December	244.5	192.8	226.3	212.5	275.3	269.0	227.1	211.1	233.4	274.9
AVERAGE	259.3	212.1	235.8	223.7	275.0	271.4	253.4	238.4	260.6	279.2
1964 January	244.0	200.8	229.4	214.7	278.7	266.9	225.9	211.3	231.9	272.6
February	245.1	186.9	227.2	211.7	276.0	270.1	227.9	211.8	233.6	274.3
March	245.5	180.7	228.6	210.6	274.2	268.8	231.0	213.3	235.8	276.0
April	245.8	211.4	232.1	223.6	271.7	268.3	229.6	213.4	236.1	278.7
May	247.5	264.7	239.7	252.5	272.0	269.8	229.3	212.9	236.3	277.5
June	253.6	356.8	257.2	330.0	283.4	274.8	230.7	212.3	238.1	277.8
July	252.1	318.9	259.2	296.7	282.7	274.2	227.9	212.0	237.7	282.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS,
(1935-39=100)

AUGUST 1964

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for August is estimated at 248.8. This is 3.2 points below the revised figure of 252.0 for July. Lower prices for livestock and potatoes more than offset higher prices for poultry products, particularly eggs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Aug. (2) 1964	July (2) 1964	Aug. (2) 1963	1963 (3)	1962	1961
Prince Edward Island ..	276.6	319.1	217.9	212.1	196.2	197.7
Nova Scotia	246.7	258.8	238.3	235.8	231.1	225.4
New Brunswick	241.3	296.4	231.1	223.7	215.2	220.4
Quebec	278.7	281.8	276.8	275.0	274.8	274.3
Ontario	272.4	274.3	272.9	271.4	273.6	265.2
Manitoba	228.7	227.6	239.3	253.4	278.4	262.0
Saskatchewan	212.3	212.1	216.7	238.4	265.3	251.3
Alberta	234.9	237.7	245.3	260.6	283.4	265.9
British Columbia	279.7	282.1	285.0	279.2	284.5	276.1
Canada	248.8	252.0	251.7	259.3	271.9	261.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1963 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	263.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.3	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.1
1962	271.9	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.8	273.6	278.4	265.3	283.4	284.5
1963										
January	269.9	202.4	238.3	222.9	278.4	277.0	269.6	258.2	276.8	278.2
February	268.6	229.2	242.8	235.2	280.0	273.5	269.5	255.6	274.6	276.0
March	265.8	228.3	239.0	236.5	279.0	268.5	266.5	254.4	271.2	277.2
April	262.2	211.5	233.4	217.8	267.3	265.0	265.0	252.4	270.4	280.8
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July	271.8	231.7	244.3	249.3	277.8	276.4	270.8	257.8	281.3	286.7
August	251.7	217.9	238.3	231.1	276.8	272.9	239.3	216.7	245.3	285.0
September	252.1	204.0	234.0	217.1	276.6	275.5	237.3	217.9	247.1	278.1
October	247.3	175.6	233.4	208.0	274.4	270.5	232.5	215.3	239.5	276.5
November	245.0	185.3	225.7	209.4	271.7	269.8	228.1	212.3	236.0	275.9
December	244.5	192.8	226.3	212.5	275.3	269.0	227.1	211.1	233.4	274.9
AVERAGE	259.3	212.1	235.8	223.7	275.0	271.4	253.4	238.4	260.6	279.2
1964										
January	244.0	200.8	229.4	214.7	278.7	266.9	225.9	211.3	231.9	272.6
February	245.1	186.9	227.2	211.7	276.0	270.1	227.9	211.8	233.6	274.3
March	245.5	180.7	228.6	210.6	274.2	268.8	231.0	213.3	235.8	276.0
April	245.8	211.4	232.1	223.6	271.7	268.3	229.6	211.4	236.1	278.7
May	247.5	264.7	239.7	252.5	272.0	269.8	229.3	212.9	236.3	277.5
June	253.6	356.8	257.2	330.0	283.4	274.8	230.7	212.3	238.1	277.8
July	252.0	319.1	258.8	296.4	281.8	274.3	227.6	211.1	237.7	282.1
August	248.8	276.6	246.7	241.3	278.7	272.4	228.7	212.3	234.9	279.7

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SEPTEMBER 1964

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 246.0 for September, 3.5 points below the revised figure of 249.5 for August. Contributing to this decline were lower average prices received by farmers from the sale of grain and potatoes. In the case of grains, the slightly lower prices can be attributed to some lowering of grade as a result of adverse harvesting conditions this fall. Partially offsetting these reductions were higher prices for eggs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Sept. (2) 1964	Aug. (2) 1964	Sept. (2) 1963	1963(3)	1962	1961
Prince Edward Island ..	191.5	276.6	204.0	212.1	196.2	197.7
Nova Scotia	230.2	247.2	234.0	235.8	231.1	225.4
New Brunswick	218.6	241.8	217.1	223.7	215.2	220.4
Quebec	277.9	282.9	276.6	275.0	274.8	274.3
Ontario	273.2	273.2	275.5	271.4	273.6	265.2
Manitoba	229.9	228.9	237.3	253.4	278.4	262.0
Saskatchewan	209.6	212.3	217.9	238.4	265.3	251.3
Alberta	232.7	234.9	247.1	260.6	283.4	265.9
British Columbia	273.7	280.4	278.1	279.2	284.5	276.1
Canada	246.0	249.5	252.1	259.3	271.9	261.2

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(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1963 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.6	219.4	264.8	255.4	222.4	201.6	223.6	260.2
1958	245.5	203.4	216.8	227.0	274.8	266.5	236.6	214.5	236.4	263.2
1959	247.4	234.4	227.3	239.5	272.7	264.2	240.6	218.6	239.6	265.5
1960	250.0	265.0	238.0	264.7	273.6	264.3	241.2	224.6	239.0	271.4
1961	261.2	197.7	225.4	220.4	274.3	265.2	262.0	251.3	265.9	276.1
1962	271.9	196.2	231.1	215.2	274.8	273.6	278.4	265.3	283.4	284.5
1963										
January	269.9	202.4	238.3	222.9	278.4	277.0	269.6	258.2	276.8	278.2
February	268.6	229.2	242.8	235.2	280.0	273.5	269.5	255.6	274.6	276.0
March	265.8	228.3	239.0	236.5	279.0	268.5	266.5	254.4	271.2	277.2
April	262.2	211.5	233.4	217.8	267.3	265.0	265.0	252.4	270.4	280.8
May	263.4	218.2	233.1	216.4	268.4	265.7	266.0	253.5	273.7	278.3
June	268.8	248.3	241.6	228.5	274.4	272.8	269.6	256.1	277.9	283.1
July	271.8	231.7	244.3	249.3	277.8	276.4	270.8	257.8	281.3	286.7
August	251.7	217.9	238.3	231.1	276.8	272.9	239.3	216.7	245.3	285.0
September	252.1	204.0	234.0	217.1	276.6	275.5	237.3	217.9	247.1	278.1
October	247.3	175.6	233.4	208.0	274.4	270.5	232.5	215.3	239.5	276.5
November	245.0	185.3	225.7	209.4	271.7	269.8	228.1	212.3	236.0	275.9
December	244.5	192.8	226.3	212.5	275.3	269.0	227.1	211.1	233.4	274.9
AVERAGE	259.3	212.1	235.8	223.7	275.0	271.4	253.4	238.4	260.6	279.2
1964										
January	244.0	200.8	229.4	214.7	278.7	266.9	225.9	211.3	231.9	272.6
February	245.1	186.9	227.2	211.7	276.0	270.1	227.9	211.8	233.6	274.3
March	245.5	180.7	228.6	210.6	274.2	268.8	231.0	213.3	235.8	276.0
April	245.8	211.4	232.1	223.6	271.7	268.3	229.6	213.4	236.1	278.7
May	247.5	264.7	239.7	252.5	272.0	269.8	229.3	212.9	236.3	277.5
June	253.6	356.8	257.2	330.0	283.4	274.8	230.7	212.3	238.1	277.8
July	252.0	319.1	258.8	296.4	281.8	274.3	227.6	212.1	237.7	282.1
August	249.5	276.6	247.2	241.8	282.9	273.2	228.9	212.3	234.9	280.4
September ...	246.0	191.5	230.2	218.6	277.9	273.2	229.9	209.6	232.7	273.7

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products declined from 245.6 in September to 241.1 in October, a reduction of 4.5 points or nearly 2 per cent. This decline is attributable to lower prices received by farmers from the sale of grains, livestock and poultry products. In the case of grains the reduced prices can be attributed to lower grades as a result of adverse weather conditions this fall. Partially offsetting these reductions were higher prices for potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Oct.(2) 1964	Sept.(2) 1964	Oct.(2) 1963	1963(3)	1962	1961
Prince Edward Island ..	214.6	191.5	175.6	212.1	196.7	198.3
Nova Scotia	232.5	227.9	224.6	232.8	231.0	225.2
New Brunswick	226.1	218.9	207.9	222.2	215.0	220.4
Quebec	276.5	278.6	273.4	274.6	275.9	274.3
Ontario	267.2	272.1	273.5	273.4	273.8	265.3
Manitoba	223.8	230.2	232.4	253.3	278.3	261.9
Saskatchewan	204.3	210.0	215.4	238.5	265.2	251.3
Alberta	224.7	232.7	239.4	260.4	283.2	265.8
British Columbia	268.3	268.7	270.9	277.9	284.6	276.1
Canada	241.1	245.6	247.6	259.6	272.0	261.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1963, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1963 are final prices. From August 1, 1963 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revision in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1963 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963										
January	269.8	202.3	238.2	222.6	277.0	277.4	269.4	258.3	276.6	278.5
February	268.6	229.3	242.6	235.0	279.5	273.9	269.4	255.7	274.4	276.4
March	265.8	228.3	238.8	236.3	277.8	269.0	266.4	254.4	271.1	277.5
April	262.4	211.4	233.2	217.4	268.4	265.6	264.9	252.5	270.2	281.0
May	264.4	218.1	232.9	216.1	270.0	268.8	265.9	253.6	273.5	278.3
June	269.9	248.3	241.4	228.4	275.6	276.1	269.5	256.2	277.9	282.8
July	272.5	231.7	244.1	232.1	278.8	279.3	270.7	257.8	281.1	289.0
August	252.8	217.9	238.2	231.0	277.0	276.1	239.2	216.7	245.1	287.9
September	252.4	204.0	225.3	217.1	276.2	278.4	237.2	217.9	247.0	272.5
October	247.6	175.6	224.6	207.9	273.4	273.5	232.4	215.4	239.4	270.9
November	245.0	185.2	216.9	209.5	269.9	272.0	228.1	212.3	235.8	270.4
December	244.2	192.8	217.5	212.4	271.6	271.2	226.7	211.2	233.2	269.3
AVERAGE	259.6	212.1	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	253.3	238.5	260.4	277.9
1964										
January	243.1	200.7	220.6	214.6	275.7	266.4	225.8	211.3	231.8	267.1
February	244.4	186.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	227.9	211.8	233.5	268.6
March	244.8	180.7	219.8	210.5	273.3	268.4	230.9	213.2	235.7	270.4
April	245.1	211.5	223.1	223.6	270.7	267.9	229.5	213.3	235.9	273.1
May	246.8	264.6	230.9	252.6	271.1	269.4	229.2	212.8	236.1	272.1
June	252.9	356.8	248.4	329.8	282.8	274.2	230.7	212.3	238.1	272.5
July	251.5	319.1	250.1	296.3	281.3	273.9	227.6	212.6	237.7	276.4
August	248.8	276.6	238.4	241.7	282.4	272.5	228.9	212.3	234.9	274.5
September	245.6	191.5	227.9	218.9	278.6	272.1	230.2	210.0	232.7	268.7
October	241.1	214.6	232.5	226.1	276.5	267.2	223.8	204.3	224.7	268.3

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
(1935-39=100)

NOVEMBER 1964

The index of farm prices of agricultural products estimated at 240.4 for the month of November was fractionally below the estimate of 241.1 for October. For the most part, this decline in the index is attributable to lower prices for live-stock more than offsetting higher potato prices.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Nov.(2) 1964	Oct.(2) 1964	Nov.(2) 1963	1963(3)	1962	1961
Prince Edward Island ..	225.0	214.6	185.2	212.1	196.7	198.3
Nova Scotia	231.7	232.7	216.9	232.8	231.0	225.2
New Brunswick	241.2	226.2	209.5	222.2	215.0	220.4
Quebec	277.7	277.3	269.9	274.6	275.9	274.3
Ontario	266.4	266.9	272.0	273.4	273.8	265.3
Manitoba	223.3	223.9	228.1	253.3	278.3	261.9
Saskatchewan	201.6	204.4	212.3	238.5	265.2	251.3
Alberta	222.1	224.8	235.8	260.4	283.2	265.8
British Columbia	269.6	268.1	270.4	277.9	284.6	276.1
Canada	240.4	241.1	245.0	259.6	272.0	261.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.8	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	196.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963										
August	252.8	217.9	238.2	231.0	277.0	276.1	239.2	216.7	245.1	287.9
September	252.4	204.0	225.3	217.1	276.2	278.4	237.2	217.9	247.0	272.5
October	247.6	175.6	224.6	207.9	273.4	273.5	232.4	215.4	239.4	270.9
November	245.0	185.2	216.9	209.5	269.9	272.0	228.1	212.3	235.8	270.4
December	244.2	192.8	217.5	212.0	271.6	271.2	226.7	211.2	233.2	269.3
AVERAGE	259.6	212.1	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	253.3	238.5	260.4	277.9
1964										
January	243.1	200.7	220.6	214.6	275.7	266.4	225.8	211.3	231.8	267.1
February	244.4	186.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	227.9	211.8	233.5	268.6
March	244.8	180.7	219.8	210.5	273.3	268.4	230.9	213.2	235.7	270.4
April	245.1	211.5	223.1	223.6	270.7	267.9	229.5	213.3	235.9	273.1
May	246.8	264.6	230.9	252.6	271.1	269.4	229.2	212.8	236.1	272.1
June	252.9	356.8	248.4	329.8	282.8	274.2	230.7	212.3	238.1	272.5
July	251.5	319.1	250.1	296.3	281.3	273.9	227.6	212.6	237.7	276.4
August	248.8	276.6	238.4	241.7	282.4	272.5	228.9	212.3	234.9	274.5
September	245.6	191.5	227.9	218.9	278.6	272.1	230.2	210.0	232.7	268.7
October	241.1	214.6	232.7	226.2	277.3	266.9	223.9	204.4	224.8	268.1
November	240.4	225.0	231.7	241.2	277.7	266.4	223.3	201.6	222.1	269.6

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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DECEMBER 1964

The index of farm prices of agricultural products estimated at 243.1 for the month of December is 2.3 points above the revised estimate of 240.8 for November. For the most part, this increase is attributable to higher prices for livestock and potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Dec. (2) 1964	Nov. (2) 1964	Dec. (2) 1963	1964 (2)	1963 (3)	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	259.3	225.1	192.8	240.6	212.1	196.7
Nova Scotia	237.2	231.8	217.5	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	270.4	241.2	212.4	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	281.7	278.2	271.6	277.4	274.6	275.9
Ontario	270.0	267.8	271.2	269.9	273.4	273.8
Manitoba	222.0	223.4	226.7	227.5	253.3	278.3
Saskatchewan	201.8	201.6	211.2	209.8	238.5	265.2
Alberta	223.1	222.1	233.2	232.2	260.4	283.2
British Columbia	270.1	269.4	269.3	270.9	277.9	284.6
Canada	243.1	240.8	244.2	245.7	259.6	272.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1963, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1963 are final prices. From August 1, 1963 to date, the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1963 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963										
August	252.8	217.9	238.2	231.0	277.0	276.1	239.2	216.7	245.1	287.9
September ..	252.4	204.0	225.3	217.1	276.2	278.4	237.2	217.9	247.0	272.5
October	247.6	175.6	224.6	207.9	273.4	273.5	232.4	215.4	239.4	270.9
November ...	245.0	185.2	216.9	209.5	269.9	272.0	228.1	212.3	235.8	270.4
December ...	244.2	192.8	217.5	212.4	271.6	271.2	226.7	211.2	233.2	269.3
AVERAGE	259.6	212.1	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	253.3	238.5	260.4	277.9
1964										
January	243.1	200.7	220.6	214.6	275.7	266.4	225.8	211.3	231.8	267.1
February	244.4	186.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	227.9	211.8	233.5	268.6
March	244.8	180.7	219.8	210.5	273.3	268.4	230.9	213.2	235.7	270.4
April	245.1	211.5	223.1	223.6	270.7	267.9	229.5	213.3	235.9	273.1
May	246.8	264.6	230.9	252.6	271.1	269.4	229.2	212.8	236.1	272.1
June	252.9	356.8	248.4	329.8	282.8	274.2	230.7	212.3	238.1	272.5
July	251.5	319.1	250.1	296.3	281.3	273.9	227.6	212.6	237.7	276.4
August	248.8	276.6	238.4	241.7	282.4	272.5	228.9	212.3	234.9	274.5
September ..	245.6	191.5	227.9	218.9	278.6	272.1	230.2	210.0	232.7	268.7
October	241.1	214.6	232.7	226.2	277.3	266.9	223.9	204.4	224.8	268.1
November ...	240.8	225.1	231.8	241.2	278.2	267.8	223.4	201.6	222.1	269.4
December ...	243.1	259.3	237.2	270.4	281.7	270.0	222.0	201.8	223.1	270.1
AVERAGE	245.7	240.6	231.6	244.8	277.4	269.9	227.5	209.8	232.2	270.9

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

JANUARY 1965

Between December 1964 and January 1965, the index of farm prices of agricultural products rose from 243.1 to 244.7, a gain of 1.6 points. This increase is attributable for the most part to higher prices for potatoes which more than offset lower egg prices. The index has been revised for the period August 1963 to July 1964 to include the recently announced final payment of 22.6 cents per bushel made on the marketings of the 1963 barley crop in Western Canada.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Jan.(2) 1965	Dec.(2) 1964	Jan.(3) 1964	1964(4)	1963(5)	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	299.1	259.4	200.7	240.6	212.1	196.7
Nova Scotia	240.5	237.2	220.6	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	287.3	270.3	214.6	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	283.3	281.8	275.7	277.4	274.6	275.9
Ontario	271.2	269.7	266.4	269.9	273.4	273.8
Manitoba	223.5	222.0	231.0	230.5	255.5	278.3
Saskatchewan	202.5	202.0	212.2	210.4	238.9	265.2
Alberta	221.6	223.3	232.7	232.7	260.8	283.2
British Columbia	273.4	269.9	267.1	270.9	277.9	284.6
Canada	244.7	243.1	244.0	246.2	260.0	272.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices for wheat and oats and final price for barley.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final price for barley and initial prices for wheat and oats for the period January to July inclusive. For the remainder of the year the prices are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley.

(5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final price for barley and initial prices for wheat and oats for the period August to December inclusive. For the remaining months, the prices used for these three grains are final prices.

In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1963, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1963 are final prices. From August 1, 1963 to July 31, 1964 western grain prices used in the index are initial prices for wheat and oats and final for barley; from August 1, 1964 to date, only initial prices are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. The average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the recently announced final payment of 22.6 cents per bushel made on the marketings of the 1963 barley crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963										
August	253.6	217.9	238.2	231.0	277.0	276.1	244.4	217.7	246.0	287.9
September ..	253.3	204.0	225.3	217.1	276.2	278.4	242.4	218.9	247.9	272.5
October	248.5	175.6	224.6	207.9	273.4	273.5	237.5	216.4	240.3	270.9
November	245.9	185.2	216.9	209.5	269.9	272.0	233.3	213.3	236.7	270.4
December	245.1	192.8	217.5	212.4	271.6	271.2	231.9	212.1	234.1	269.3
AVERAGE	260.0	212.1	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	255.5	238.9	260.8	277.9
1964										
January	244.0	200.7	220.6	214.6	275.7	266.4	231.0	212.2	232.7	267.1
February	245.2	186.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	233.0	212.7	234.4	268.6
March	245.7	180.7	219.8	210.5	273.3	268.4	236.1	214.2	236.6	270.4
April	245.9	211.5	223.1	223.6	270.7	267.9	234.7	214.3	236.8	273.1
May	247.6	264.6	230.9	252.6	271.1	269.4	234.4	213.8	237.0	272.1
June	253.8	356.8	248.4	329.8	282.8	274.2	235.9	213.2	239.0	272.5
July	252.3	319.1	250.1	296.3	281.3	273.9	232.8	213.5	238.6	276.4
August	248.8	276.6	238.4	241.7	282.4	272.5	228.9	212.3	234.9	274.5
September ..	245.6	191.5	227.9	218.9	278.6	272.1	230.2	210.0	232.7	268.7
October	241.1	214.6	232.7	226.2	277.3	266.9	223.9	204.4	224.8	268.1
November	240.8	225.1	231.8	241.2	278.2	267.8	223.4	201.6	222.1	269.4
December	243.1	259.4	237.2	270.3	281.8	269.7	222.0	202.0	223.3	269.9
AVERAGE	246.2	240.6	231.6	244.8	277.4	269.9	230.5	210.4	232.7	270.9
1965										
January	244.7	299.1	240.5	287.3	283.3	271.2	223.5	202.5	221.6	273.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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FEBRUARY 1965

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 249.5 for the month of February, 4.8 points above the figure of 244.7 for January. Higher prices for livestock and potatoes accounted for nearly all of this increase. The index has been revised for the period August 1963 to July 1964 to include the recently announced final payment of 48.2 cents per bushel made on the marketings of the 1963 wheat crop in Western Canada.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Feb.(2) 1965	Jan.(2) 1965	Feb.(3) 1964	1964(4)	1963(5)	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	304.6	299.1	186.9	240.6	212.1	196.7
Nova Scotia	255.1	240.2	218.3	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	301.5	287.5	211.7	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	289.7	283.3	275.1	277.4	274.6	275.9
Ontario	276.1	271.2	269.8	269.9	273.4	273.8
Manitoba	225.1	223.5	262.6	247.8	267.8	278.3
Saskatchewan	204.0	202.6	257.9	236.7	257.7	265.2
Alberta	226.8	221.7	273.5	255.6	277.1	283.2
British Columbia	284.6	273.1	268.6	270.9	277.9	284.6
Canada	249.5	244.7	264.8	257.5	268.1	272.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial price for oats and final prices for wheat and barley.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final prices for wheat and barley and initial price for oats for the period January to July inclusive. For the remainder of the year the prices are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley.

(5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final prices for wheat and barley and initial price for oats for the period August to December inclusive. For the remaining months, the prices used for these three grains are final prices.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1963, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1963 are final prices. From August 1, 1963 to July 31, 1964 western grain prices used in the index are initial price for oats and final prices for wheat and barley; from August 1, 1964 to date, only initial prices are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the recently announced final payment of 48.2 cents per bushel made on the marketings of the 1963 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963 August	273.2	217.9	238.2	231.0	277.0	276.1	274.0	262.8	285.2	287.9
September ..	272.8	204.0	225.3	217.1	276.2	278.4	272.0	264.1	287.0	272.5
October	268.0	175.6	224.6	207.9	273.4	273.5	267.1	261.5	279.4	270.9
November ...	265.4	185.2	216.9	209.5	269.9	272.0	262.8	258.4	275.8	270.4
December ...	264.6	192.8	217.5	212.4	271.6	271.2	261.4	257.3	273.2	269.3
AVERAGE	268.1	212.1	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	267.8	257.7	277.1	277.9
1964 January	263.4	200.7	220.6	214.6	275.7	266.4	260.5	257.4	271.8	267.1
February ...	264.8	186.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	262.6	257.9	273.5	268.6
March	265.2	180.7	219.8	210.5	273.3	268.4	265.6	259.3	275.7	270.4
April	265.4	211.5	223.1	223.6	270.7	267.9	264.3	259.5	275.9	273.1
May	267.1	264.6	230.9	252.6	271.1	269.4	263.9	259.0	276.1	272.1
June	273.3	356.8	248.4	329.8	282.8	274.2	265.4	258.4	278.1	272.5
July	271.8	319.1	250.1	296.3	281.3	273.9	262.4	258.7	277.7	276.4
August	248.8	276.6	238.4	241.7	282.4	272.5	228.9	212.3	234.9	274.5
September ..	245.6	191.5	227.9	218.9	278.6	272.1	230.2	210.0	232.7	268.7
October	241.1	214.6	232.7	226.2	277.3	266.9	223.9	204.4	224.8	268.1
November ...	240.8	225.1	231.8	241.2	278.2	267.8	223.4	201.6	222.1	269.4
December ...	243.1	259.4	237.2	270.3	281.8	269.7	222.0	202.0	223.3	269.9
AVERAGE	257.5	240.6	231.6	244.8	277.4	269.9	247.8	236.7	255.6	270.9
1965 January	244.7	299.1	240.2	287.5	283.3	271.2	223.5	202.6	221.7	273.1
February ...	249.5	304.6	255.1	301.5	289.7	276.1	225.1	204.0	226.8	284.6

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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MARCH 1965

The index of farm prices of agricultural products reached 251.3 in March and compares with the revised figure of 250.8 for February. Prices were higher for poultry products but lower for potatoes. The index has been revised for the period August 1963 to July 1964 to include the recently announced final payment of 9.8 cents per bushel made on the marketings of the 1963 oats crop in Western Canada.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Mar.(2) 1965	Feb.(2) 1965	Mar. 1964	1964(3)	1963	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	296.8	305.8	181.8	241.7	213.2	196.7
Nova Scotia	253.0	255.2	219.8	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	295.1	301.4	210.5	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	290.0	292.2	273.9	277.8	274.6	275.9
Ontario	278.0	280.1	268.5	269.6	273.4	273.8
Manitoba	229.3	225.1	266.4	248.2	268.1	278.3
Saskatchewan	207.8	204.0	260.4	237.4	258.1	265.2
Alberta	228.1	226.2	277.7	256.9	277.6	283.2
British Columbia	286.4	284.7	271.2	271.3	278.2	284.6
Canada	251.3	250.8	266.0	258.0	268.4	272.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1964, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1964 are final prices. From August 1, 1964 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average price prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the recently announced final payment of 9.8 cents per bushel made on the marketings of the 1963 oats crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revision as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any change between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963 August	273.6	219.0	238.2	231.0	277.0	276.1	274.6	263.8	286.1	288.7
September ..	273.3	205.1	225.3	217.1	276.2	278.5	272.7	265.0	288.0	273.3
October	268.5	176.7	224.6	207.9	273.4	273.5	267.8	262.5	280.4	271.7
November	266.0	186.3	216.9	209.5	269.9	272.0	263.5	259.4	277.6	271.1
December	265.2	193.9	217.5	212.4	271.6	271.2	262.0	258.2	275.0	270.0
AVERAGE	268.4	213.2	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964 January	264.1	201.8	220.6	214.6	275.8	266.4	261.3	258.5	273.8	267.9
February	265.5	187.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	263.3	259.0	275.5	269.4
March	266.0	181.8	219.8	210.5	273.9	268.5	266.4	260.4	277.7	271.2
April	266.2	212.5	223.2	223.6	271.3	267.9	265.0	260.5	277.9	273.9
May	267.9	265.7	230.8	252.5	271.7	269.4	264.7	260.0	278.1	272.9
June	274.1	357.9	248.3	329.9	283.4	274.3	266.0	259.5	280.1	273.2
July	272.2	320.2	250.2	296.3	281.8	272.7	263.1	259.8	279.6	276.9
August	248.9	277.7	238.3	241.7	282.9	271.9	228.9	212.5	235.9	274.5
September ..	245.9	192.6	227.9	218.8	279.1	272.0	230.2	210.2	233.7	268.7
October	241.0	215.7	232.7	226.2	277.8	265.4	223.9	204.6	225.7	268.1
November	240.9	226.2	231.8	241.2	278.8	267.8	223.4	201.8	221.7	269.4
December	243.1	260.4	237.2	270.3	282.4	269.7	222.0	202.0	222.6	269.9
AVERAGE	258.0	241.7	231.6	244.8	277.8	269.6	248.2	237.4	256.9	271.3
1965 January	244.7	300.2	240.2	287.5	284.8	271.2	223.5	202.6	221.0	273.1
February	250.8	305.8	255.2	301.4	292.2	280.1	225.1	204.0	226.2	284.7
March	251.3	296.8	253.0	295.1	290.0	278.0	229.3	207.8	228.1	286.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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APRIL 1965

The index of prices farmers receive from the sale of farm products rose from 251.3 in March to 254.3 in April. This increase can be attributed to higher prices for livestock, eggs and potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Apr.(2) 1965	Mar.(2) 1965	Apr. 1964	1964(3)	1963	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	347.1	296.7	212.5	241.7	213.2	196.7
Nova Scotia	259.3	253.0	223.2	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	323.8	295.0	223.6	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	292.4	290.2	271.3	277.8	274.6	275.9
Ontario	280.7	278.1	267.9	269.6	273.4	273.8
Manitoba	230.4	229.3	265.0	248.2	268.1	278.3
Saskatchewan	207.7	207.8	260.5	237.4	258.1	265.2
Alberta	229.5	228.1	277.9	256.9	277.6	283.2
British Columbia	293.7	286.3	273.9	271.3	278.2	284.6
Canada	254.3	251.3	266.2	258.0	268.4	272.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1964, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1964 are final prices. From August 1, 1964 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the recently announced final payment of 9.8 cents per bushel made on the marketings of the 1963 oats crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revision as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any change between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	213.2	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964 January	264.1	201.8	220.6	214.6	275.8	266.4	261.3	258.5	273.8	267.9
February ...	265.5	187.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	263.3	259.0	275.5	269.4
March	266.0	181.8	219.8	210.5	273.9	268.5	266.4	260.4	277.7	271.2
April	266.2	212.5	223.2	223.6	271.3	267.9	265.0	260.5	277.9	273.9
May	267.9	265.7	230.8	252.5	271.7	269.4	264.7	260.0	278.1	272.9
June	274.1	357.9	248.3	329.9	283.4	274.3	266.0	259.5	280.1	273.2
July	272.2	320.2	250.2	296.3	281.8	272.7	263.1	259.8	279.6	276.9
August	248.9	277.7	238.3	241.7	282.9	271.9	228.9	212.5	235.9	274.5
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November ...	240.9	226.2	231.8	241.2	278.8	267.8	223.4	201.8	221.7	269.4
December ...	243.1	260.4	237.2	270.3	282.4	269.7	222.0	202.0	222.6	269.9
AVERAGE	258.0	241.7	231.6	244.8	277.8	269.6	248.2	237.4	256.9	271.3
1965 January	244.7	300.2	240.2	287.5	284.8	271.2	223.5	202.6	221.0	273.1
February ...	250.7	305.8	255.2	301.4	292.2	279.8	225.1	204.0	226.2	284.7
March	251.3	296.7	253.0	295.0	290.2	278.1	229.3	207.8	228.1	286.3
April	254.3	347.1	259.3	323.8	292.4	280.7	230.4	207.7	229.5	293.7

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

MAY 1965

The index of prices received by farmers from the sale of farm products is estimated at 258.2 for the month of May, 3.4 points above the revised estimate of 254.8 for April. This increase continues an upward trend which has been in evidence since November 1964 when the index stood at 240.9. The increase between April and May occurred as result of higher prices for livestock and potatoes. Little or no change was recorded for the average prices of the remaining items considered in the index.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	May (2) 1965	Apr. (2) 1965	May 1964	1964(3)	1963	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	360.2	347.2	265.7	241.7	213.2	196.7
Nova Scotia	264.2	259.5	230.8	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	348.8	323.8	252.5	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	301.3	297.7	271.7	277.8	274.6	275.9
Ontario	284.9	280.6	269.4	269.6	273.4	273.8
Manitoba	232.4	230.2	264.7	248.2	268.1	278.3
Saskatchewan	208.6	207.6	260.0	237.4	258.1	265.2
Alberta	231.5	229.5	278.1	256.9	277.6	283.2
British Columbia	295.1	293.4	272.9	271.3	278.2	284.6
Canada	258.2	254.8	267.9	258.0	268.4	272.0

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	213.2	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964										
January	264.1	201.8	220.6	214.6	275.8	266.4	261.3	258.5	273.8	267.9
February	265.5	187.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	263.3	259.0	275.5	269.4
March	266.0	181.8	219.8	210.5	273.9	268.5	266.4	260.4	277.7	271.2
April	266.2	212.5	223.2	223.6	271.3	267.9	265.0	260.5	277.9	273.9
May	267.9	265.7	230.8	252.5	271.7	269.4	264.7	260.0	278.1	272.9
June	274.1	357.9	248.3	329.9	283.4	274.3	266.0	259.5	280.1	273.2
July	272.2	320.2	250.2	296.3	281.8	272.7	263.1	259.8	279.6	276.9
August	248.9	277.7	238.3	241.7	282.9	271.9	228.9	212.5	235.9	274.5
September	245.9	192.6	227.9	218.8	279.1	272.0	230.2	210.2	233.7	268.7
October	241.0	215.7	232.7	226.2	277.8	265.4	223.9	204.6	225.7	268.1
November	240.9	226.2	231.8	241.2	278.8	267.8	223.4	201.8	221.7	269.4
December	243.1	260.4	237.2	270.3	282.4	269.7	222.0	202.0	222.6	269.9
AVERAGE	258.0	241.7	231.6	244.8	277.8	269.6	248.2	237.4	256.9	271.3
1965										
January	244.7	300.2	240.2	287.5	284.8	271.2	223.5	202.6	221.0	273.1
February	250.7	305.8	255.2	301.4	292.2	279.8	225.1	204.0	226.2	284.7
March	251.3	296.7	253.0	295.0	290.2	278.1	229.3	207.8	228.1	286.3
April	254.8	347.2	259.5	323.8	297.7	280.6	230.2	207.6	229.5	293.4
May	258.2	360.2	264.2	348.8	301.3	284.9	232.4	208.6	231.5	295.1

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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JUNE 1965

The index of prices received by farmers from the sale of farm products continued to move upward as it rose from 257.8 in May to 267.3 in June, a gain of 9.5 points. This increase is attributable almost entirely to substantial increases in the prices of potatoes and livestock. Little or no change was recorded for the average prices of the remaining items considered in the index.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	June(2) 1965	May(2) 1965	June 1964	1964(3)	1963	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	407.1	360.0	357.9	241.7	213.2	196.7
Nova Scotia	276.7	263.6	248.3	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	381.1	348.8	329.9	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	311.3	301.4	283.4	277.8	274.6	275.9
Ontario	293.5	283.7	274.3	269.6	273.4	273.8
Manitoba	239.9	232.3	266.0	248.2	268.1	278.3
Saskatchewan	214.2	208.8	259.5	237.4	258.1	265.2
Alberta	242.1	231.5	280.1	256.9	277.6	283.2
British Columbia	298.2	295.5	273.2	271.3	278.2	284.6
Canada	267.3	257.8	274.1	258.0	268.4	272.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1964, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1964 are final prices. From August 1, 1964 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average price prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the recently announced final payment of 9.8 cents per bushel made on the marketings of the 1963 oats crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revision as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any change between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
(1935-39=100)

1 3 1

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	213.2	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964 January	264.1	201.8	220.6	214.6	275.8	266.4	261.3	258.5	273.8	267.9
February ...	265.5	187.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	263.3	259.0	275.5	269.4
March	266.0	181.8	219.8	210.5	273.9	268.5	266.4	260.4	277.7	271.2
April	266.2	212.5	223.2	223.6	271.3	267.9	265.0	260.5	277.9	273.9
May	267.9	265.7	230.8	252.5	271.7	269.4	264.7	260.0	278.1	272.9
June	274.1	357.9	248.3	329.9	283.4	274.3	266.0	259.5	280.1	273.2
July	272.2	320.2	250.2	296.3	281.8	272.7	263.1	259.8	279.6	276.9
August	248.9	277.7	238.3	241.7	282.9	271.9	228.9	212.5	235.9	274.5
September ..	245.9	192.6	227.9	218.8	279.1	272.0	230.2	210.2	233.7	268.7
October	241.0	215.7	232.7	226.2	277.8	265.4	223.9	204.6	225.7	268.1
November ...	240.9	226.2	231.8	241.2	278.8	267.8	223.4	201.8	221.7	269.4
December ...	243.1	260.4	237.2	270.3	282.4	269.7	222.0	202.0	222.6	269.9
AVERAGE	258.0	241.7	231.6	244.8	277.8	269.6	248.2	237.4	256.9	271.3
1965 January	244.7	300.2	240.2	287.5	284.8	271.2	223.5	202.6	221.0	273.1
February ...	250.7	305.8	255.2	301.4	292.2	279.8	225.1	204.0	226.2	284.7
March	251.3	296.7	253.0	295.0	290.2	278.1	229.3	207.8	228.1	286.3
April	254.8	347.2	259.5	323.8	297.7	280.6	230.2	207.6	229.5	293.4
May	257.8	360.0	263.6	348.8	301.4	283.7	232.3	208.8	231.5	295.5
June	267.3	407.1	276.7	381.1	311.3	293.5	239.9	214.2	242.1	298.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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JULY 1965

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 271.9 for July, 4.6 points above the June figure of 267.3 and 27.2 points higher than the January level of 244.7. The rise in the index since January, and the gain between June and July, can be attributed for the most part to increases in prices for live-stock and potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	July(2) 1965	June(2) 1965	July 1964	1964(3)	1963	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	469.9	407.0	320.2	241.7	213.2	196.7
Nova Scotia	289.2	276.5	250.2	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	382.7	380.9	296.3	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	316.3	312.0	281.8	277.8	274.6	275.9
Ontario	300.7	293.9	272.7	269.6	273.4	273.8
Manitoba	239.2	239.9	263.1	248.2	268.1	278.3
Saskatchewan	215.1	214.0	259.8	237.4	258.1	265.2
Alberta	244.4	242.1	279.6	256.9	277.6	283.2
British Columbia	304.8	295.9	276.9	271.3	278.2	284.6
Canada	271.9	267.3	272.2	258.0	268.4	272.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1964, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1964 are final prices. From August 1, 1964 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
(1935-39=100)

1 3 1

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
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1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	213.2	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964										
January	264.1	201.8	220.6	214.6	275.8	266.4	261.3	258.5	273.8	267.9
February	265.5	187.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	263.3	259.0	275.5	269.4
March	266.0	181.8	219.8	210.5	273.9	268.5	266.4	260.4	277.7	271.2
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May	267.9	265.7	230.8	252.5	271.7	269.4	264.7	260.0	278.1	272.9
June	274.1	357.9	248.3	329.9	283.4	274.3	266.0	259.5	280.1	273.2
July	272.2	320.2	250.2	296.3	281.8	272.7	263.1	259.8	279.6	276.9
August	248.9	277.7	238.3	241.7	282.9	271.9	228.9	212.5	235.9	274.5
September	245.9	192.6	227.9	218.8	279.1	272.0	230.2	210.2	233.7	268.7
October	241.0	215.7	232.7	226.2	277.8	265.4	223.9	204.6	225.7	268.1
November	240.9	226.2	231.8	241.2	278.8	267.8	223.4	201.8	221.7	269.4
December	243.1	260.4	237.2	270.3	282.4	269.7	222.0	202.0	222.6	269.9
AVERAGE	258.0	241.7	231.6	244.8	277.8	269.6	248.2	237.4	256.9	271.3
1965										
January	244.7	300.2	240.2	287.5	284.8	271.2	223.5	202.6	221.0	273.1
February	250.7	305.8	255.2	301.4	292.2	279.8	225.1	204.0	226.2	284.7
March	251.5	296.7	253.0	295.0	291.5	278.1	229.3	207.8	228.1	286.3
April	255.0	347.2	259.5	323.8	299.0	280.6	230.2	207.6	229.5	293.4
May	258.0	360.0	263.6	348.8	302.7	283.7	232.3	208.8	231.5	295.5
June	267.3	407.0	276.5	380.9	312.0	293.9	239.9	214.0	242.1	295.9
July	271.9	469.9	289.2	382.7	316.3	300.7	239.2	215.1	244.4	304.8

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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AUGUST 1965

The index of farm prices of agricultural products declined from 272.0 in July to 263.0 in August. Lower prices for livestock and potatoes more than offset higher prices for eggs. On the other hand, the current index is about 14 points above the August 1964 figure of 248.9 as a result of higher prices for livestock, potatoes, dairy products and eggs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Aug.(2) 1965	July(2) 1965	Aug.(2) 1964	1964(3)	1963	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	316.0	469.8	277.7	241.7	213.2	196.7
Nova Scotia	259.2	288.8	238.3	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	272.6	382.6	241.7	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	306.3	316.5	282.9	277.8	274.6	275.9
Ontario	294.0	300.9	271.9	269.6	273.4	273.8
Manitoba	238.7	239.0	228.9	248.2	268.1	278.3
Saskatchewan	215.7	215.2	212.5	237.4	258.1	265.2
Alberta	243.6	244.3	235.9	256.9	277.6	283.2
British Columbia	279.7	305.5	274.5	271.3	278.2	284.6
Canada	263.0	272.0	248.9	258.0	268.4	272.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

Farm Finance Section, Agriculture Division

October 1965
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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1964, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1964 are final prices. From August 1, 1964 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Canada
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	213.2	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.4	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964										
January	264.1	201.8	220.6	214.6	275.8	266.4	261.3	258.5	273.8	267.9
February	265.5	187.9	218.3	211.7	275.1	269.8	263.3	259.0	275.5	269.4
March	266.0	181.8	219.8	210.5	273.9	268.5	266.4	260.4	277.7	271.2
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May	267.9	265.7	230.8	252.5	271.7	269.4	264.7	260.0	278.1	272.9
June	274.1	357.9	248.3	329.9	283.4	274.3	266.0	259.5	280.1	273.2
July	272.2	320.2	250.2	296.3	281.8	272.7	263.1	259.8	279.6	276.9
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June	267.3	407.0	276.5	380.9	312.0	293.9	239.9	214.0	242.1	295.9
July	272.0	469.8	288.8	382.6	316.5	300.9	239.0	215.2	244.3	305.5
August	263.0	316.0	259.2	272.6	306.3	294.0	238.7	215.7	243.6	279.7

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SEPTEMBER 1965

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 259.9 for September, 3.3 points below the revised estimate of 263.2 for August, but 14.0 points above the figure of 245.9 for September 1964. The decline in the index between August and September of the current year is due to lower prices for potatoes and cattle. The increase between September 1964 and September 1965 is attributable for the most part to higher prices for livestock, dairy products, and potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Sept.(2) 1965	Aug.(2) 1965	Sept.(2) 1964	1964(3)	1963	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	219.3	316.2	192.6	241.7	213.2	196.7
Nova Scotia	239.3	259.6	227.9	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	225.6	272.6	218.8	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	301.6	306.5	279.1	277.8	274.6	275.9
Ontario	293.0	294.3	272.0	269.6	273.4	273.8
Manitoba	239.3	239.3	230.2	248.2	268.1	278.3
Saskatchewan	216.9	215.7	210.2	237.4	258.1	265.2
Alberta	243.1	243.6	233.7	256.9	277.6	283.2
British Columbia	279.3	280.6	268.7	271.3	278.2	284.6
Canada	259.9	263.2	245.9	258.0	268.4	272.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

Farm Finance Section, Agriculture Division

November 1965

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1964, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1964 are final prices. From August 1, 1964 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
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1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
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1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
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July	272.0	469.8	288.8	382.6	316.5	300.9	239.0	215.2	244.3	305.5
August	263.2	316.2	259.6	272.6	306.5	294.3	239.3	215.7	243.6	280.6
September ..	259.9	219.3	239.3	225.6	301.6	293.0	239.3	216.9	243.1	279.3

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OCTOBER 1965

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 262.5 for October. This is 2.5 points above the revised estimate of 260.0 for September and 21.5 points higher than the figure of 241.0 for October 1964. The increase in the index between September and October is due to higher average prices for all items included except grains; the lower average price for this item reflects the lower quality resulting from adverse harvesting conditions. The increase between September 1964 and September 1965 is also attributable to higher prices for all commodities.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Oct.(2) 1965	Sept.(2) 1965	Oct.(2) 1964	1964(3)	1963	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	276.6	219.3	215.7	241.7	213.2	196.7
Nova Scotia	249.2	239.6	232.7	231.6	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	279.8	225.8	226.2	244.8	222.2	215.0
Quebec	308.0	302.0	277.8	277.8	274.6	275.9
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Manitoba	234.6	239.1	223.9	248.2	268.1	278.3
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British Columbia	281.2	279.5	268.1	271.3	278.2	284.6
Canada	262.5	260.0	241.0	258.0	268.4	272.0

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Farm Finance Section, Agriculture Division

December 1965
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June	267.3	407.0	276.5	380.9	312.0	293.9	239.9	214.0	242.1	295.9
July	272.0	469.8	288.8	382.6	316.5	300.9	239.0	215.2	244.3	305.5
August	263.2	316.2	259.6	272.6	306.5	294.3	239.3	215.7	243.6	280.6
September ..	260.0	219.3	239.6	225.8	302.0	293.0	239.1	217.1	243.3	279.5
October	262.5	276.6	249.2	279.8	308.0	295.4	234.6	213.9	243.9	281.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 266.2 for November, 1.7 points above the revised estimate of 264.5 for October and 24.5 points higher than the figure of 241.7 for November 1964. The increase between October and November is due to slightly higher prices for livestock and potatoes in some provinces. The increase between November 1964 and November 1965 is attributable to higher prices for nearly all commodities contained in the index.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Nov. (2) 1965	Oct. (2) 1965	Nov. (2) 1964	1964 (3)	1963	1962
Prince Edward Island ..	269.3	276.6	226.2	241.7	213.2	196.7
Nova Scotia	249.4	252.6	234.5	232.5	232.8	231.0
New Brunswick	263.1	280.1	241.5	244.9	222.2	215.0
Quebec	315.6	313.8	279.0	278.0	274.6	275.9
Ontario	305.4	298.3	269.5	269.5	273.6	273.8
Manitoba	234.0	234.6	223.4	248.2	268.1	278.3
Saskatchewan	213.5	213.7	201.8	237.4	258.1	265.2
Alberta	243.3	243.9	221.7	256.9	277.6	283.2
British Columbia	292.2	291.3	274.4	272.8	278.2	284.6
Canada	266.2	264.5	241.7	258.0	268.4	272.0

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1964, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1964 are final prices. From August 1, 1964 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	213.2	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964										
August	248.8	277.7	238.3	242.1	283.2	271.4	228.9	212.5	235.9	272.8
September ..	246.0	192.6	230.7	219.0	279.4	271.4	230.2	210.2	233.7	273.7
October	241.2	215.7	235.4	226.4	278.0	265.2	223.9	204.6	225.7	273.1
November ...	241.7	226.2	234.5	241.5	279.0	269.5	223.4	201.8	221.7	274.4
December ...	244.0	260.4	240.0	270.5	282.6	271.7	222.0	202.0	222.6	274.9
AVERAGE	258.0	241.7	232.5	244.9	278.0	269.5	248.2	237.4	256.9	272.8
1965										
January	245.7	300.2	243.0	287.7	285.0	273.4	223.5	202.6	221.0	278.1
February ...	251.7	305.8	257.9	301.6	292.5	281.9	225.1	204.0	226.2	289.7
March	252.1	296.7	255.8	295.2	291.6	280.0	229.3	206.9	228.1	291.3
April	255.8	347.2	262.3	324.1	299.1	282.2	230.2	207.6	229.5	298.4
May	259.0	360.0	266.3	349.0	302.8	286.1	232.3	208.8	231.5	300.5
June	268.9	407.0	279.3	381.4	312.4	297.8	239.9	214.0	242.1	302.9
July	273.3	469.8	291.6	383.0	317.0	303.5	239.0	215.2	244.3	314.3
August	264.6	316.2	262.4	273.0	306.7	297.2	239.3	215.7	243.6	289.8
September ..	261.4	219.3	242.8	226.2	301.8	295.9	239.1	217.1	243.3	289.3
October	264.5	276.6	252.6	280.1	313.8	298.3	234.6	213.7	243.9	291.3
November ...	266.2	269.3	249.4	263.1	315.6	305.4	234.0	213.5	243.3	292.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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DECEMBER 1965

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada is estimated at 274.7 for December, 8.4 points above the revised estimate of 266.3 for November and 30.7 points higher than the figure of 244.0 for December 1964. The increase between November and December is due to higher prices for livestock and poultry products; offsetting these gains to some extent were lower prices for potatoes. The increase between December 1964 and December 1965 is attributable to higher prices for nearly all commodities contained in the index.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Dec.(2) 1965	Nov.(2) 1965	Dec.(2) 1964	1965(2)	1964(3)	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	262.1	269.5	260.4	319.2	241.7	213.2
Nova Scotia	249.9	249.2	240.0	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	258.9	263.2	270.5	302.0	244.9	222.2
Quebec	324.0	315.6	282.6	305.2	278.0	274.6
Ontario	319.1	305.8	271.7	293.4	269.5	273.6
Manitoba	241.4	234.1	222.0	234.0	248.2	268.1
Saskatchewan	217.4	213.7	202.0	211.4	237.4	258.1
Alberta	253.8	243.4	222.6	237.6	256.9	277.6
British Columbia	294.6	290.2	274.9	294.2	272.8	278.2
Canada	274.7	266.3	244.0	261.5	258.0	268.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1964, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1964 are final prices. From August 1, 1964 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	213.2	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964										
August	248.8	277.7	238.3	242.1	283.2	271.4	228.9	212.5	235.9	272.8
September ..	246.0	192.6	230.7	219.0	279.4	271.4	230.2	210.2	233.7	273.7
October	241.2	215.7	235.4	226.4	278.0	265.2	223.9	204.6	225.7	273.1
November ...	241.7	226.2	234.5	241.5	279.0	269.5	223.4	201.8	221.7	274.4
December ...	244.0	260.4	240.0	270.5	282.6	271.7	222.0	202.0	222.6	274.9
AVERAGE	258.0	241.7	232.5	244.9	278.0	269.5	248.2	237.4	256.9	272.8
1965										
January	245.7	300.2	243.0	287.7	285.0	273.4	223.5	202.6	221.0	278.1
February	251.7	305.8	257.9	301.6	292.5	281.9	225.1	204.0	226.2	289.7
March	252.1	296.7	255.8	295.2	291.6	280.0	229.3	206.9	228.1	291.3
April	255.8	347.2	262.3	324.1	299.1	282.2	230.2	207.6	229.5	298.4
May	259.0	360.0	266.3	349.0	302.8	286.1	232.3	208.8	231.5	300.5
June	268.9	407.0	279.3	381.4	312.4	297.8	239.9	214.0	242.1	302.9
July	273.3	469.8	291.6	383.0	317.0	303.5	239.0	215.2	244.3	314.3
August	264.6	316.2	262.4	273.0	306.7	297.2	239.3	215.7	243.6	289.8
September ..	261.4	219.3	242.8	226.2	301.8	295.9	239.1	217.1	243.3	289.3
October	264.5	276.6	252.6	280.1	313.8	298.3	234.6	213.7	243.9	291.3
November ...	266.3	269.5	249.2	263.2	315.6	305.8	234.1	213.7	243.4	290.2
December ...	274.7	262.1	249.9	258.9	324.0	319.1	241.4	217.4	253.8	294.6
AVERAGE	261.5	319.2	259.4	302.0	305.2	293.4	234.0	211.4	237.6	294.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS
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JANUARY 1966

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for Canada is estimated at 277.2 for January, 2.5 points above the revised estimate of 274.7 for December 1965 and 31.5 points higher than the figure of 245.7 for January 1965. The increase between December and January is due almost entirely to higher prices for livestock; offsetting this gain to some extent were lower prices for eggs. The increase between January 1965 and January 1966 reflects higher prices for livestock, dairy and poultry products.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Jan. (2) 1966	Dec. (2) 1965	Jan. (2) 1965	1965 (2)	1964 (3)	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	261.8	262.1	300.2	319.2	241.7	213.2
Nova Scotia	251.8	249.9	243.0	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	262.7	258.9	287.7	302.0	244.9	222.2
Quebec	326.0	324.0	285.0	305.2	278.0	274.6
Ontario	320.9	319.0	273.4	293.4	269.5	273.6
Manitoba	244.8	241.4	223.5	234.0	248.2	268.1
Saskatchewan	220.7	217.4	202.6	211.4	237.4	258.1
Alberta	257.4	253.8	221.0	237.6	256.9	277.6
British Columbia	294.9	294.6	278.1	294.2	272.8	278.2
Canada	277.2	274.7	245.7	261.5	258.0	268.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

Farm Finance Section, Agriculture Division

March 1966
5504-502

In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1964, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1964 are final prices. From August 1, 1964 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1964 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1951	296.8	236.4	243.2	250.8	305.6	315.0	301.6	268.7	308.0	287.1
1952	274.4	351.6	275.1	344.5	290.2	286.2	266.8	245.9	265.3	291.4
1953	250.4	191.5	234.8	213.2	272.1	263.8	245.3	228.7	247.8	265.7
1954	236.8	296.1	230.2	211.8	264.3	252.8	227.5	208.7	232.4	249.6
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	213.2	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964										
August	248.8	277.7	238.3	242.1	283.2	271.4	228.9	212.5	235.9	272.8
September	246.0	192.6	230.7	219.0	279.4	271.4	230.2	210.2	233.7	273.7
October	241.2	215.7	235.4	226.4	278.0	265.2	223.9	204.6	225.7	273.1
November	241.7	226.2	234.5	241.5	279.0	269.5	223.4	201.8	221.7	274.4
December	244.0	260.4	240.0	270.5	282.6	271.7	222.0	202.0	222.6	274.9
AVERAGE	258.0	241.7	232.5	244.9	278.0	269.5	248.2	237.4	256.9	272.8
1965										
January	245.7	300.2	243.0	287.7	285.0	273.4	223.5	202.6	221.0	278.1
February	251.7	305.8	257.9	301.6	292.5	281.9	225.1	204.0	226.2	289.7
March	252.1	296.7	255.8	295.2	291.6	280.0	229.3	206.9	228.1	291.3
April	255.8	347.2	262.3	324.1	299.1	282.2	230.2	207.6	229.5	298.4
May	259.0	360.0	266.3	349.0	302.8	286.1	232.3	208.8	231.5	300.5
June	268.9	407.0	279.3	381.4	312.4	297.8	239.9	214.0	242.1	302.9
July	273.3	469.8	291.6	383.0	317.0	303.5	239.0	215.2	244.3	314.3
August	264.6	316.2	262.4	273.0	306.7	297.2	239.3	215.7	243.6	289.8
September	261.4	219.3	242.8	226.2	301.8	295.9	239.1	217.1	243.3	289.3
October	264.5	276.6	252.6	280.1	313.8	298.3	234.6	213.7	243.9	291.3
November	266.3	269.5	249.2	263.2	315.6	305.8	234.1	213.7	243.4	290.2
December	274.7	262.1	249.9	258.9	324.0	319.0	241.4	217.4	253.8	294.6
AVERAGE	261.5	319.2	259.4	302.0	305.2	293.4	234.0	211.4	237.6	294.2
1966										
January	277.2	261.8	251.8	262.7	326.0	320.9	244.8	220.7	257.4	294.9

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 283.2 for February, 5.6 points above the revised estimate of 277.6 for January. This increase reflects higher prices for livestock and potatoes. The index has been revised for the period August 1, 1964 to July 31, 1965 to take into account the recently announced final payments per bushel on the 1964 Western crops of wheat, oats and barley. These payments were as follows: wheat, 38.2 cents; oats, 17.7 cents; barley 31.1 cents.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Feb.(2) 1966	Jan.(2) 1966	Feb. 1965	1965(3)	1964	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	294.8	276.0	319.1	332.6	255.1	214.3
Nova Scotia	260.5	252.6	257.9	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	277.7	263.5	301.5	302.0	244.9	222.2
Quebec	331.9	326.5	302.3	307.5	280.5	274.6
Ontario	326.1	320.9	282.0	293.6	269.5	273.6
Manitoba	250.3	245.2	257.1	252.6	261.5	268.1
Saskatchewan	224.2	220.7	242.8	234.0	253.5	258.1
Alberta	265.0	257.4	260.4	257.5	271.1	277.6
British Columbia	300.8	295.2	290.4	294.7	273.1	278.2
Canada	283.2	277.6	270.5	272.2	265.8	268.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1965, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1965 are final prices. From August 1, 1965 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1965 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	214.3	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964 August	266.4	291.0	238.3	242.2	283.2	271.4	260.9	251.3	270.1	273.5
September ..	263.7	206.0	230.7	219.0	279.4	271.4	262.1	249.0	267.9	274.4
October	260.1	229.0	235.4	226.4	287.9	265.2	255.9	243.4	259.9	273.8
November ...	260.5	239.6	234.5	241.5	288.9	269.5	255.5	240.6	255.9	275.1
December ...	262.8	273.8	240.0	270.5	292.5	271.6	253.8	240.8	256.9	275.6
AVERAGE	265.8	255.1	232.5	245.0	280.5	269.5	261.5	253.5	271.1	273.1
1965 January	264.5	313.7	242.9	287.7	294.8	273.6	255.4	241.4	255.2	278.8
February ...	270.5	319.1	257.9	301.5	302.3	282.0	257.1	242.8	260.4	290.4
March	271.0	310.2	255.9	295.2	301.5	280.0	261.3	245.6	262.3	292.0
April	273.4	360.6	262.3	324.1	298.9	282.3	262.2	246.4	263.7	299.3
May	276.6	373.3	266.3	349.0	302.6	286.1	264.4	247.6	265.8	301.2
June	286.6	420.4	279.3	381.5	312.2	297.8	271.9	252.8	276.3	303.6
July	291.1	483.3	291.7	383.1	316.8	304.2	270.9	254.0	278.5	315.0
August	265.0	329.6	262.4	273.3	306.8	298.2	239.3	215.6	243.6	289.8
September ..	261.6	232.8	242.8	226.2	301.6	296.4	239.1	217.0	243.3	289.3
October	264.6	290.1	252.5	280.1	313.8	298.3	234.6	213.6	243.9	291.3
November ...	266.4	283.0	249.2	263.1	315.6	305.7	234.1	213.6	243.4	290.2
December ...	274.7	275.5	250.1	259.0	323.3	318.9	241.3	217.2	253.8	295.3
AVERAGE	272.2	332.6	259.4	302.0	307.5	293.6	252.6	234.0	257.5	294.7
1966 January	277.6	276.0	252.6	263.5	326.5	320.9	245.2	220.7	257.4	295.2
February ...	283.2	294.8	260.5	277.7	331.9	326.1	250.3	224.2	265.0	300.8

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MARCH 1966

The index of farm prices of agricultural products, which rose steadily from 261.6 in September 1965 to 283.9 in February 1966, dropped to 279.6 in March. This decline is due almost entirely to a sharp reduction in prices for hogs. To some extent this decline was offset by higher prices for potatoes and poultry products.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Mar. (2) 1966	Feb. (2) 1966	Mar. 1965	1965 (3)	1964	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	336.7	294.6	310.2	332.6	255.1	214.3
Nova Scotia	263.1	261.5	255.9	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	277.8	277.7	295.2	302.0	245.0	222.2
Quebec	329.0	335.6	301.5	307.5	280.5	274.6
Ontario	317.1	326.9	280.0	293.6	269.5	273.6
Manitoba	248.3	250.3	261.3	252.6	261.5	268.1
Saskatchewan	223.1	224.3	245.6	234.0	253.5	258.1
Alberta	260.0	264.6	262.3	257.5	271.1	277.6
British Columbia	304.0	300.4	292.0	294.7	273.1	278.2
Canada	279.6	283.9	271.0	272.2	265.8	268.4

- (1) Excludes Newfoundland.
- (2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
- (3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1965 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	214.3	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964 August	266.4	291.0	238.3	242.2	283.2	271.4	260.9	251.3	270.1	273.5
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December ...	262.8	273.8	240.0	270.5	292.5	271.6	253.8	240.8	256.9	275.6
AVERAGE	265.8	255.1	232.5	245.0	280.5	269.5	261.5	253.5	271.1	273.1
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March	271.0	310.2	255.9	295.2	301.5	280.0	261.3	245.6	262.3	292.0
April	273.4	360.6	262.3	324.1	298.9	282.3	262.2	246.4	263.7	299.3
May	276.6	373.3	266.3	349.0	302.6	286.1	264.4	247.6	265.8	301.2
June	286.6	420.4	279.3	381.5	312.2	297.8	271.9	252.8	276.3	303.6
July	291.1	483.3	291.7	383.1	316.8	304.2	270.9	254.0	278.5	315.0
August	265.0	329.6	262.4	273.3	306.8	298.2	239.3	215.6	243.6	289.8
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December ...	274.7	275.5	250.1	259.0	323.3	318.9	241.3	217.2	253.8	295.3
AVERAGE	272.2	332.6	259.4	302.0	307.5	293.6	252.6	234.0	257.5	294.7
1966 January	277.6	276.0	252.6	263.5	326.5	320.9	245.2	220.7	257.4	295.2
February ...	283.9	294.6	261.5	277.7	335.6	326.9	250.3	224.3	264.6	300.4
March	279.6	336.7	263.1	277.8	329.0	317.1	248.3	223.1	260.0	304.0

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APRIL 1966

The index of farm prices of agricultural products declined for the second consecutive month when it dropped from the revised estimate of 279.5 for March to 276.7 for April. Once again the decline in the index was due for the most part, to lower livestock prices. To some extent this decline was offset by higher prices for potatoes and eggs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Apr.(2) 1966	Mar.(2) 1966	Apr. 1965	1965(3)	1964	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	375.5	336.8	360.6	332.6	255.1	214.3
Nova Scotia	274.1	263.0	262.3	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	304.1	278.0	324.1	302.0	245.0	222.2
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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	214.3	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964										
August	266.4	291.0	238.3	242.2	283.2	271.4	260.9	251.3	270.1	273.5
September ..	263.7	206.0	230.7	219.0	279.4	271.4	262.1	249.0	267.9	274.4
October	260.1	229.0	235.4	226.4	287.9	265.2	255.9	243.4	259.9	273.8
November	260.5	239.6	234.5	241.5	288.9	269.5	255.5	240.6	255.9	275.1
December	262.8	273.8	240.0	270.5	292.5	271.6	253.8	240.8	256.9	275.6
AVERAGE	265.8	255.1	232.5	245.0	280.5	269.5	261.5	253.5	271.1	273.1
1965										
January	264.5	313.7	242.9	287.7	294.8	273.6	255.4	241.4	255.2	278.8
February	270.5	319.1	257.9	301.5	302.3	282.0	257.1	242.8	260.4	290.4
March	271.0	310.2	255.9	295.2	301.5	280.0	261.3	245.6	262.3	292.0
April	273.4	360.6	262.3	324.1	298.9	282.3	262.2	246.4	263.7	299.3
May	276.6	373.3	266.3	349.0	302.6	286.1	264.4	247.6	265.8	301.2
June	286.6	420.4	279.3	381.5	312.2	297.8	271.9	252.8	276.3	303.6
July	291.1	483.3	291.7	383.1	316.8	304.2	270.9	254.0	278.5	315.0
August	265.0	329.6	262.4	273.3	306.8	298.2	239.3	215.6	243.6	289.8
September ..	261.6	322.8	242.8	226.2	301.6	296.4	239.1	217.0	243.3	289.3
October	264.6	290.1	252.5	280.1	313.8	298.3	234.6	213.6	243.9	291.3
November	266.4	283.0	249.2	263.1	315.6	305.7	234.1	213.6	243.4	290.2
December	274.7	275.5	250.1	259.0	323.3	318.9	241.3	217.2	253.8	295.3
AVERAGE	272.2	332.6	259.4	302.0	307.5	293.6	252.6	234.0	257.5	294.7
1966										
January	277.6	276.0	252.6	263.5	326.5	320.9	245.2	220.7	257.4	295.2
February	283.9	294.6	261.5	277.7	335.6	326.9	250.3	224.3	264.6	300.4
March	279.5	336.8	263.0	278.0	328.3	317.0	248.6	223.2	259.9	304.2
April	276.7	375.5	274.1	304.1	322.7	313.5	246.1	220.7	252.2	302.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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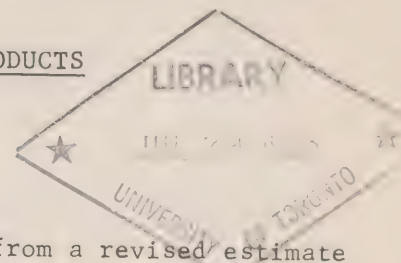
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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

MAY 1966



The index of farm prices of agricultural products rose from a revised estimate of 276.6 for April to 278.8 for May. This gain can be attributed for the most part to higher prices for hogs and potatoes which more than offset lower prices for eggs.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	May(2) 1966	Apr.(2) 1966	May 1965	1965(3)	1964	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	363.8	375.6	373.3	332.6	255.1	214.3
Nova Scotia	282.2	276.6	266.3	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	317.8	304.1	349.0	302.0	245.0	222.2
Quebec	326.5	321.4	302.6	307.5	280.5	274.6
Ontario	316.7	313.5	281.6	293.6	269.5	273.6
Manitoba	245.8	246.0	264.4	252.6	261.5	268.1
Saskatchewan	220.3	220.5	247.6	234.0	253.5	258.1
Alberta	254.4	252.1	265.8	257.5	271.1	277.6
British Columbia	304.7	304.5	301.2	294.7	273.1	278.2
Canada	278.8	276.6	276.6	272.2	265.8	268.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1965, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1965 are final prices. From August 1, 1965 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1965 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	214.3	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964 August	266.4	291.0	238.3	242.2	283.2	271.4	260.9	251.3	270.1	273.5
September ..	263.7	206.0	230.7	219.0	279.4	271.4	262.1	249.0	267.9	274.4
October	260.1	229.0	235.4	226.4	287.9	265.2	255.9	243.4	259.9	273.8
November	260.5	239.6	234.5	241.5	288.9	269.5	255.5	240.6	255.9	275.1
December	262.8	273.8	240.0	270.5	292.5	271.6	253.8	240.8	256.9	275.6
AVERAGE	265.8	255.1	232.5	245.0	280.5	269.5	261.5	253.5	271.1	273.1
1965 January	264.5	313.7	242.9	287.7	294.8	273.6	255.4	241.4	255.2	278.8
February	270.5	319.1	257.9	301.5	302.3	282.0	257.1	242.8	260.4	290.4
March	271.0	310.2	255.9	295.2	301.5	280.0	261.3	245.6	262.3	292.0
April	273.4	360.6	262.3	324.1	298.9	282.3	262.2	246.4	263.7	299.3
May	276.6	373.3	266.3	349.0	302.6	286.1	264.4	247.6	265.8	301.2
June	286.6	420.4	279.3	381.5	312.2	297.8	271.9	252.8	276.3	303.6
July	291.1	483.3	291.7	383.1	316.8	304.2	270.9	254.0	278.5	315.0
August	265.0	329.6	262.4	273.3	306.8	298.2	239.3	215.6	243.6	289.8
September ..	261.6	232.8	242.8	226.2	301.6	296.4	239.1	217.0	243.3	289.3
October	264.6	290.1	252.5	280.1	313.8	298.3	234.6	213.6	243.9	291.3
November	266.4	283.0	249.2	263.1	315.6	305.7	234.1	213.6	243.4	290.2
December	274.7	275.5	250.1	259.0	323.3	318.9	241.3	217.2	253.8	295.3
AVERAGE	272.2	332.6	259.4	302.0	307.5	293.6	252.6	234.0	257.5	294.7
1966 January	277.6	276.0	252.6	263.5	326.5	320.9	245.2	220.7	257.4	295.2
February	283.9	294.6	261.5	277.7	335.6	326.9	250.3	224.3	264.6	300.4
March	279.5	336.8	263.0	278.0	328.3	317.0	248.6	223.2	259.9	304.2
April	276.6	375.6	276.6	304.1	321.4	313.5	246.0	220.5	252.1	304.5
May	278.8	363.8	282.2	317.8	326.5	316.7	245.8	220.3	254.4	304.7

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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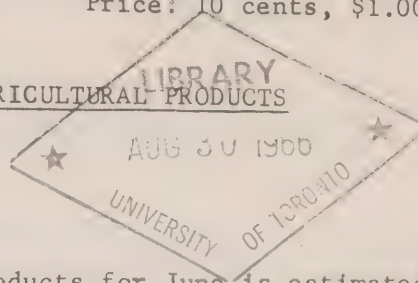
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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

JUNE 1966



The index of farm prices of agricultural products for June is estimated at 278.4, fractionally below the revised figure of 279.0 for May. Prices for livestock were higher in June than in May, but prices of poultry products and potatoes were lower.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	June(2) 1966	May(2) 1966	June 1965	1965(3)	1964	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	266.1	363.9	420.4	332.6	255.1	214.3
Nova Scotia	274.0	281.9	279.3	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	265.0	317.9	381.5	302.0	245.0	222.2
Quebec	331.3	326.4	312.2	307.5	280.5	274.6
Ontario	318.3	317.2	297.8	293.6	269.5	273.6
Manitoba	247.4	245.9	271.9	252.6	261.5	268.1
Saskatchewan	221.5	220.7	252.8	234.0	253.5	258.1
Alberta	256.7	254.3	276.3	257.5	271.1	277.6
British Columbia	304.2	304.7	303.6	294.7	273.1	278.2
Canada	278.4	279.0	286.6	272.2	265.8	268.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1965, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1965 are final prices. From August 1, 1965 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1965 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

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Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	214.3	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964 August	266.4	291.0	238.3	242.2	283.2	271.4	260.9	251.3	270.1	273.5
September ..	263.7	206.0	230.7	219.0	279.4	271.4	262.1	249.0	267.9	274.4
October	260.1	229.0	235.4	226.4	287.9	265.2	255.9	243.4	259.9	273.8
November	260.5	239.6	234.5	241.5	288.9	269.5	255.5	240.6	255.9	275.1
December	262.8	273.8	240.0	270.5	292.5	271.6	253.8	240.8	256.9	275.6
AVERAGE	265.8	255.1	232.5	245.0	280.5	269.5	261.5	253.5	271.1	273.1
1965 January	264.5	313.7	242.9	287.7	294.8	273.6	255.4	241.4	255.2	278.8
February	270.5	319.1	257.9	301.5	302.3	282.0	257.1	242.8	260.4	290.4
March	271.0	310.2	255.9	295.2	301.5	280.0	261.3	245.6	262.3	292.0
April	273.4	360.6	262.3	324.1	298.9	282.3	262.2	246.4	263.7	299.3
May	276.6	373.3	266.3	349.0	302.6	286.1	264.4	247.6	265.8	301.2
June	286.6	420.4	279.3	381.5	312.2	297.8	271.9	252.8	276.3	303.6
July	291.1	483.3	291.7	383.1	316.8	304.2	270.9	254.0	278.5	315.0
August	265.0	329.6	262.4	273.3	306.8	298.2	239.3	215.6	243.6	289.8
September ..	261.6	232.8	242.8	226.2	301.6	296.4	239.1	217.0	243.3	289.3
October	264.6	290.1	252.5	280.1	313.8	298.3	234.6	213.6	243.9	291.3
November	266.4	283.0	249.2	263.1	315.6	305.7	234.1	213.6	243.4	290.2
December	274.7	275.5	250.1	259.0	323.3	318.9	241.3	217.2	253.8	295.3
AVERAGE	272.2	332.6	259.4	302.0	307.5	293.6	252.6	234.0	257.5	294.7
1966 January	277.6	276.0	252.6	263.5	326.5	320.9	245.2	220.7	257.4	295.2
February	283.9	294.6	261.5	277.7	335.6	326.9	250.3	224.3	264.6	300.4
March	279.5	336.8	263.0	278.0	328.3	317.0	248.6	223.2	259.9	304.2
April	276.6	375.6	276.6	304.1	321.4	313.5	246.0	220.5	252.1	304.5
May	279.0	363.9	281.9	317.9	326.4	317.2	245.9	220.7	254.3	304.7
June	278.4	266.1	274.0	265.0	331.3	318.3	247.4	221.5	256.7	304.2

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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JULY 1966

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for July is estimated at 270.0. This is 7.9 points or 2.8 per cent below the revised figure of 277.9 for June. The decline is attributable for the most part to lower prices for livestock and potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	July(2) 1966	June(2) 1966	July 1965	1965(3)	1964	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	234.2	266.1	483.3	332.6	255.1	214.3
Nova Scotia	258.4	273.4	291.7	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	235.1	266.7	383.1	302.0	245.0	222.2
Quebec	322.6	329.2	316.8	307.5	280.5	274.6
Ontario	305.3	317.9	304.2	293.6	269.5	273.6
Manitoba	242.6	247.3	270.9	252.6	261.5	268.1
Saskatchewan	219.6	221.4	254.0	234.0	253.5	258.1
Alberta	249.7	256.1	278.5	257.5	271.1	277.6
British Columbia	300.5	305.3	315.0	294.7	273.1	278.2
Canada	270.0	277.9	291.1	272.2	265.8	268.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

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	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

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1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
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October	260.1	229.0	235.4	226.4	287.9	265.2	255.9	243.4	259.9	273.8
November	260.5	239.6	234.5	241.5	288.9	269.5	255.5	240.6	255.9	275.1
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AVERAGE	265.8	255.1	232.5	245.0	280.5	269.5	261.5	253.5	271.1	273.1
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July	270.0	234.2	258.4	235.1	322.6	305.3	242.6	219.6	249.7	300.5

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AUGUST 1966

The index of farm prices of agricultural products for August is estimated at 271.2 fractionally below the revised estimate of 271.5 for July. During this period, prices for eggs were up, but prices for livestock and potatoes were down.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Aug. (2) 1966	July (2) 1966	Aug. (2) 1965	1965 (3)	1964	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	259.0	234.2	329.6	332.6	255.1	214.3
Nova Scotia	258.1	257.9	262.4	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	236.7	235.0	273.3	302.0	245.0	222.2
Quebec	318.8	323.2	306.8	307.5	280.5	274.6
Ontario	308.4	310.7	298.2	293.6	269.5	273.6
Manitoba	244.1	242.6	239.3	252.6	261.5	268.1
Saskatchewan	220.6	219.8	215.6	234.0	253.5	258.1
Alberta	252.1	249.7	243.6	257.5	271.1	277.6
British Columbia	296.1	300.0	289.8	294.7	273.1	278.2
Canada	271.2	271.5	265.0	272.2	265.8	268.4

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July	271.5	234.2	257.9	235.0	323.2	310.7	242.6	219.8	249.7	300.0
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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 273.4 for September, 1.8 points above the revised figure of 271.6 for August and 11.8 points above the figure of 261.6 for September 1965. The increase between August and September of this year is attributable for the most part to higher prices for cattle. The gain between September 1965 and September 1966 reflects higher prices for livestock, dairy products and poultry products.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
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	Sept. (2) 1966	Aug. (2) 1966	Sept. (2) 1965	1965 (3)	1964	1963
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Nova Scotia	254.3	258.8	242.8	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	231.3	236.8	226.2	302.0	245.0	222.2
Quebec	321.6	320.7	301.6	307.5	280.5	274.6
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Manitoba	249.2	244.5	239.1	252.6	261.5	268.1
Saskatchewan	224.2	220.6	217.0	234.0	253.5	258.1
Alberta	253.8	252.1	243.3	257.5	271.1	277.6
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June	277.9	266.1	273.4	266.7	329.2	317.9	247.3	221.4	256.1	305.3
July	271.5	234.2	257.9	235.0	323.2	310.7	242.6	219.8	249.7	300.0
August	271.6	259.1	258.8	236.8	320.7	308.5	244.5	220.6	252.1	296.3
September	273.4	241.1	254.3	231.3	321.6	310.2	249.2	224.2	253.8	298.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 276.8 for October, 2.8 points above the revised figure of 274.0 for September and 12.2 points above the figure of 264.6 for October 1965. The gain in the index between September and October of this year reflects increases of varying amounts for most of the items included in the index. The rise between October 1965 and October 1966 is attributable for the most part to a general increase in all commodity prices except potatoes.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1)
(1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Oct.(2) 1966	Sept.(2) 1966	Oct.(2) 1965	1965(3)	1964	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	243.5	242.0	290.1	332.6	255.1	214.3
Nova Scotia	256.2	252.1	252.5	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	249.1	232.2	280.1	302.0	245.0	222.2
Quebec	327.6	323.6	313.8	307.5	280.5	274.6
Ontario	315.0	311.0	298.3	293.6	269.5	273.6
Manitoba	250.9	249.8	234.6	252.6	261.5	268.1
Saskatchewan	225.6	224.5	213.6	234.0	253.5	258.1
Alberta	255.6	254.0	243.9	257.5	271.1	277.6
British Columbia	301.8	299.3	291.3	294.7	273.1	278.2
Canada	276.8	274.0	264.6	272.2	265.8	268.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1966, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1966 are final prices. From August 1, 1966 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1966 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	214.3	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964	265.8	255.1	232.5	245.0	280.5	269.5	261.5	253.5	271.1	273.1
1965										
January	264.5	313.7	242.9	287.7	294.8	273.6	255.4	241.4	255.2	278.8
February ...	270.5	319.1	257.9	301.5	302.3	282.0	257.1	242.8	260.4	290.4
March	271.0	310.2	255.9	295.2	301.5	280.0	261.3	245.6	262.3	292.0
April	273.4	360.6	262.3	324.1	298.9	282.3	262.2	246.4	263.7	299.3
May	276.6	373.3	266.3	349.0	302.6	286.1	264.4	247.6	265.8	301.2
June	286.6	420.4	279.3	381.5	312.2	297.8	271.9	252.8	276.3	303.6
July	291.1	483.3	291.7	383.1	316.8	304.2	270.9	254.0	278.5	315.0
August	265.0	329.6	262.4	273.3	306.8	298.2	239.3	215.6	243.6	289.8
September ..	261.6	232.8	242.8	226.2	301.6	296.4	239.1	217.0	243.3	289.3
October	264.6	290.1	252.5	280.1	313.8	298.3	234.6	213.6	243.9	291.3
November ...	266.4	283.0	249.2	263.1	315.6	305.7	234.1	213.6	243.4	290.2
December ...	274.7	275.5	250.1	259.0	323.3	318.9	241.3	217.2	253.8	295.3
AVERAGE	272.2	332.6	259.4	302.0	307.5	293.6	252.6	234.0	257.5	294.7
1966										
January	277.6	276.0	252.6	263.5	326.5	320.9	245.2	220.7	257.4	295.2
February ...	283.9	294.6	261.5	277.7	335.6	326.9	250.3	224.3	264.6	300.4
March	279.5	336.8	263.0	278.0	328.3	317.0	248.6	223.2	259.9	304.2
April	276.4	375.6	276.6	304.1	321.4	313.5	246.0	220.5	251.1	304.5
May	278.6	363.9	281.9	317.9	325.0	317.2	245.9	220.7	253.2	304.7
June	277.9	266.1	273.4	266.7	329.2	317.9	247.3	221.4	256.1	305.3
July	271.5	234.2	257.9	235.0	323.2	310.7	242.6	219.8	249.7	300.0
August	271.6	259.1	258.8	236.8	320.7	308.5	244.5	220.6	252.1	296.3
September ..	274.0	242.0	252.1	232.2	323.6	311.0	249.8	224.5	254.0	299.3
October	276.8	243.5	256.2	249.1	327.6	315.0	250.9	225.6	255.6	301.8

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

NOVEMBER 1966

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 275.5 for November. This is 1.5 points below the revised figure of 277.0 for October, but 9.1 points above the 266.4 recorded for November 1965. The decline in the index between October and November of this year reflects lower prices for livestock and potatoes which more than offset somewhat higher egg prices. The gain in the index between November 1965 and November 1966 is due largely to a general increase in the prices of all of the more important commodities contained in the index.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products (1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Nov. (2) 1966	Oct. (2) 1966	Nov. (2) 1965	1965 (3)	1964	1963
Prince Edward Island ..	232.4	243.7	283.0	332.6	255.1	214.3
Nova Scotia	253.4	256.2	249.2	259.4	232.5	232.8
New Brunswick	246.8	249.0	263.1	302.0	245.0	222.2
Quebec	326.1	326.5	315.6	307.5	280.5	274.6
Ontario	314.8	315.5	305.7	293.6	269.5	273.6
Manitoba	247.9	251.5	234.1	252.6	261.5	268.1
Saskatchewan	224.5	225.6	213.6	234.0	253.5	258.1
Alberta	253.6	255.9	243.4	257.5	271.1	277.6
British Columbia	301.1	302.0	290.2	294.7	273.1	278.2
Canada	275.5	277.0	266.4	272.2	265.8	268.4

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1966, the following points should be considered. Prices of all western grains used in the construction of the index prior to August 1, 1966 are final prices. From August 1, 1966 to date the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1966 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1)
(1935-39=100)

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	214.3	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964	265.8	255.1	232.5	245.0	280.5	269.5	261.5	253.5	271.1	273.1
1965										
January	264.5	313.7	242.9	287.7	294.8	273.6	255.4	241.4	255.2	278.8
February ...	270.5	319.1	257.9	301.5	302.3	282.0	257.1	242.8	260.4	290.4
March	271.0	310.2	255.9	295.2	301.5	280.0	261.3	245.6	262.3	292.0
April	273.4	360.6	262.3	324.1	298.9	282.3	262.2	246.4	263.7	299.3
May	276.6	373.3	266.3	349.0	302.6	286.1	264.4	247.6	265.8	301.2
June	286.6	420.4	279.3	381.5	312.2	297.8	271.9	252.8	276.3	303.6
July	291.1	483.3	291.7	383.1	316.8	304.2	270.9	254.0	278.5	315.0
August	265.0	329.6	262.4	273.3	306.8	298.2	239.3	215.6	243.6	289.8
September ..	261.6	232.8	242.8	226.2	301.6	296.4	239.1	217.0	243.3	289.3
October	264.6	290.1	252.5	280.1	313.8	298.3	234.6	213.6	243.9	291.3
November ...	266.4	283.0	249.2	263.1	315.6	305.7	234.1	213.6	243.4	290.2
December ...	274.7	275.5	250.1	259.0	323.3	318.9	241.3	217.2	253.8	295.3
AVERAGE	272.2	332.6	259.4	302.0	307.5	293.6	252.6	234.0	257.5	294.7
1966										
January	277.6	276.0	252.6	263.5	326.5	320.9	245.2	220.7	257.4	295.2
February ...	283.9	294.6	261.5	277.7	335.6	326.9	250.3	224.3	264.6	300.4
March	279.5	336.8	263.0	278.0	328.3	317.0	248.6	223.2	259.9	304.2
April	276.4	375.6	276.6	304.1	321.4	313.5	246.0	220.5	251.1	304.5
May	278.6	363.9	281.9	317.9	325.0	317.2	245.9	220.7	253.2	304.7
June	277.9	266.1	273.4	266.7	329.2	317.9	247.3	221.4	256.1	305.3
July	271.5	234.2	257.9	235.0	323.2	310.7	242.6	219.8	249.7	300.0
August	271.6	259.1	258.8	236.8	320.7	308.5	244.5	220.6	252.1	296.3
September ..	274.0	242.0	252.1	232.2	323.6	311.0	249.8	224.5	254.0	299.3
October	277.0	243.7	256.2	249.0	326.5	315.5	251.5	225.6	255.9	302.0
November ...	275.5	232.4	253.4	246.8	326.1	314.8	247.9	224.5	253.6	301.1

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

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INDEX NUMBERS OF FARM PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS (1935-39=100)

DECEMBER 1966

The index of farm prices of agricultural products is estimated at 278.5 for December, 1.5 points above the revised estimate of 277.0 for November. This gain can be attributed for the most part to higher prices for cattle and calves. The index has been revised for the period August 1, 1965 to July 31, 1966 to take into account the recently announced final payment of 48.2 cents per bushel made on the 1965 Western wheat crop.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

	Monthly index			Annual index		
	Dec.(2) 1966	Nov.(2) 1966	Dec.(3) 1965	1966(4)	1965(5)	1964
Prince Edward Island ..	229.9	232.1	275.5	279.5	332.6	255.1
Nova Scotia	261.2	261.1	249.2	263.7	259.1	232.5
New Brunswick	248.9	247.2	259.0	263.2	302.0	245.0
Quebec	326.1	325.4	323.5	326.5	307.4	280.5
Ontario	318.0	316.7	319.2	316.7	293.8	269.5
Manitoba	252.0	248.5	270.8	264.8	264.9	261.5
Saskatchewan	226.4	225.1	262.2	248.9	252.7	253.5
Alberta	255.4	253.7	291.6	277.0	274.4	271.3
British Columbia	318.8	317.2	312.0	317.5	301.5	273.0
Canada	278.5	277.0	294.7	289.0	280.7	265.8

(1) Excludes Newfoundland.

(2) Based on initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

(3) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on initial prices for oats and barley and final price for wheat.

(4) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final price for wheat and initial prices for oats and barley for the period January to July inclusive. For the remainder of the year the prices are initial prices only for wheat, oats and barley.

(5) For Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the index is based on final price for wheat and initial prices for oats and barley for the period August to December inclusive. For the remaining months, the prices used for these three grains are final prices.

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In comparing current index numbers with those prior to August 1965, the following points should be considered. From August 1, 1965 to July 31, 1966 the western grain prices used in the index are initial prices for oats and barley and final price for wheat. Since August 1, 1966, initial prices only are available for these three grains. Any subsequent participation payments will be added to the prices currently used and the index revised upward accordingly. An increase of 10 cents per bushel in the prices of western wheat, oats or barley would result in upward revisions in the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces and Canada approximately as follows, in points.

	<u>Manitoba</u>	<u>Saskatchewan</u>	<u>Alberta</u>	<u>Canada</u>
Wheat	6.2	9.3	8.1	4.0
Oats	1.0	1.1	1.2	0.5
Barley	2.3	0.5	0.4	0.4

For the period August 1966 to date the initial prices to western producers at Fort William - Port Arthur are on the basis of \$1.50 per bushel for No. 1 Northern wheat, 60 cents per bushel for No. 2 C.W. oats, and 96 cents per bushel for No. 3 C.W. six-row barley. In addition to the payments made at the time of delivery, producer certificates are issued to the grower covering quantities and grades delivered. These certificates entitle producers to share in any surpluses accumulated by the Canadian Wheat Board through the sale of these grains delivered to the Board. Any participation payments made on these grains at a later date will be added to the prices currently used in the price index and the index revised upward accordingly.

Most of the price information used in compiling the index is obtained from reports furnished monthly by volunteer farm correspondents throughout Canada. The prices used in computing the index are, as closely as can be determined, the prices which are actually received by the farmers at the farm level. Subsidies, bonuses and premiums which can be attributed to specific products are all included in the prices, whereas storage, transportation, processing and handling charges which are not actually received by farmers are excluded. Deficiency payments made under the provisions of the present prices support program are not included because the index at the present time purports to measure changes in market prices. In reporting prices to the Bureau each month, price correspondents are asked to report the average prices prevailing in their neighbourhood, taking into account the various grades of each commodity marketed. Thus, average prices reported by these correspondents may differ from month to month as a result of changes in price, changes in quality marketed or a combination of both. In effect, this index is not a measure of pure price change but a measure of the change in returns to farmers per unit of product marketed.

The prices of wheat, oats, barley and flaxseed contain all Canadian Wheat Board payments announced to date, including the recently announced final payment of 48.2 cents per bushel made on the marketings of the 1965 wheat crop. All payments of this kind are included in the year in which earned, not in the year in which paid.

In compiling the index, the fixed base weighted aggregative method has been used. Each commodity has been weighted by the annual average amounts sold in the five-year base period 1935-39. No adjustments for seasonal variations of the prices has been made. The index is based on prices for about 50 farm products which contributed approximately 90 per cent of the total cash income received by farmers from the sale of farm products, during the base period. The series is subject to revisions as more complete and up-to-date data become available. This accounts for any changes between the indexes published in earlier reports and those appearing in the current publication.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products(1) (1935-39=100)

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	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1955	232.7	220.6	220.0	226.0	261.7	249.2	225.6	203.5	223.2	248.5
1956	234.6	240.1	208.7	235.1	258.8	250.5	227.0	208.5	224.0	256.9
1957	234.2	197.0	212.4	219.4	264.9	255.6	222.3	201.6	223.4	260.2
1958	245.5	203.3	216.6	227.0	274.8	266.6	236.5	214.5	236.2	263.1
1959	247.4	234.4	227.1	239.5	272.8	264.4	240.5	218.7	239.5	265.4
1960	250.0	265.2	237.8	264.7	273.7	264.4	241.1	224.6	238.9	271.4
1961	261.2	198.3	225.2	220.4	274.3	265.3	261.9	251.3	265.8	276.1
1962	272.0	196.7	231.0	215.0	275.9	273.8	278.3	265.2	283.2	284.6
1963	268.4	214.3	232.8	222.2	274.6	273.6	268.1	258.1	277.6	278.2
1964	265.8	255.1	232.5	245.0	280.5	269.5	261.5	253.5	271.3	273.0
1965 January	264.8	313.7	242.9	287.7	294.8	273.6	255.4	241.4	256.3	278.7
February	270.7	319.1	257.9	301.5	302.3	282.1	257.1	242.8	261.5	290.2
March	271.1	310.2	255.9	295.2	300.4	280.1	261.3	245.6	263.4	291.8
April	273.5	360.6	262.3	324.1	297.8	282.4	262.2	246.4	264.7	299.4
May	276.7	373.3	266.3	349.0	301.5	286.1	264.4	247.6	266.8	301.4
June	287.1	420.4	279.3	381.4	312.3	298.3	271.9	252.8	277.3	306.7
July	291.6	483.3	291.7	383.0	317.3	304.4	270.9	254.0	279.6	319.1
August	285.0	329.6	262.4	273.2	307.3	298.1	268.7	260.6	283.6	297.9
September ..	282.0	232.8	241.9	226.2	301.8	296.3	268.5	261.9	283.3	306.0
October	285.0	290.1	251.6	280.1	314.0	298.2	264.0	258.6	283.8	308.1
November	286.7	283.0	248.2	263.1	315.9	306.9	263.5	258.6	281.2	306.9
December	294.7	275.5	249.2	259.0	323.5	319.2	270.8	262.2	291.6	312.0
AVERAGE	280.7	332.6	259.1	302.0	307.4	293.8	264.9	252.7	274.4	301.5
1966 January	298.0	276.0	251.6	263.3	326.7	322.4	274.5	265.6	295.3	312.6
February	303.8	294.6	260.5	277.7	335.8	326.7	279.8	269.3	302.4	317.2
March	299.6	336.8	262.1	277.9	329.6	317.1	278.0	268.2	297.8	320.8
April	296.2	375.8	275.7	304.0	322.8	312.7	275.5	265.4	288.9	320.8
May	298.7	363.9	281.0	317.8	326.3	317.4	275.3	265.6	291.0	321.0
June	297.8	266.1	272.5	266.9	329.6	318.1	276.7	266.3	294.0	319.7
July	291.9	234.2	257.0	235.2	324.0	311.6	272.0	264.7	287.5	317.6
August	272.5	259.1	257.9	237.0	321.6	309.7	244.5	220.6	251.0	311.5
September ..	275.0	242.0	259.9	232.5	323.8	312.1	249.8	224.5	252.9	315.2
October	278.4	243.7	264.1	249.4	326.7	318.2	251.5	225.6	254.7	317.6
November	277.0	232.1	261.1	247.2	325.4	316.7	248.5	225.1	253.7	317.2
December	278.5	229.9	261.2	248.9	326.1	318.0	252.0	226.4	255.4	318.8
AVERAGE	289.0	279.5	263.7	263.2	326.5	316.7	264.8	248.9	277.0	317.5

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